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Best Wishes for a Happy New Year

And our THANKS for your liberal patronage during the year just closing.

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Start the New Year with a Savings Account

EVERYBODY WANTS MONEY at certain times but not everybody has as much to spend as they would like. Those who started a savings account a year ago and kept it up had plenty of money to spend this Christmas. Those who didn't wish they had.

THE BEST TIME to begin saving is right now. Deposit what is left from your Christmas buying in this bank, and keep adding to it each week until next Christmas. It is good advice, the advice that guides you along the road to wealth and happiness.

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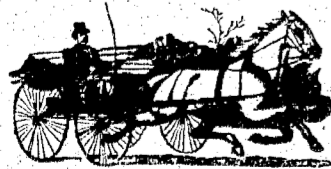


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Langevin's Old Stand



Contractor George Lather hands the new school building over to the people of Grayling.

Contractor—"Here's your School House."
The People—"Well done, good and faithful servant."

The people of Grayling have looked forward with great anticipation to the completion of their new school building that is to take the place of the old building that burned at 12:30 o'clock January 21st of this year. The realization of their hopes have been more than fulfilled by the turning over to the people, thru the Board of Education last week, by Contractor George Lather this fine new school building.

The architectural plans are by Jens Petersen, of Traverse City. The building was constructed by George Lather, also of Traverse City, at a cost of \$57,000. The heating system was installed by the Brice Heating & Ventilating Co., of Toledo, Ohio; the plumbing by Frank Deckrow, of this city, and the electric wiring by the F. C. Teal Company, of Detroit.

The structure is of scintillating, rug face brick, stone and terra cotta trimmings.

The general arrangement of the plan provides for five large class rooms and double kindergarten and first grade room, on the lower floor; and five class rooms, one commercial room, two laboratories, lecture room and library and assembly room on the second floor.

The building is equipped with boys' and girls' toilet rooms on each floor, and with toilet rooms for the gymnasium on the ground floor.

The superintendent's office is on the first floor near the main front entrance, and the principal's office and teachers' room are on the second floor.

There is also an entrance at the north and south ends of the building. The construction throughout is first class in every particular. The foundations are of concrete. All of the interior partitions are of reinforced plastering on metal lath and fireproof tile. The floors throughout are supported on steel beams and girders. The interior finish is of birch.

Every arrangement has been made to make the building modern and complete in every particular, the toilet rooms being arranged with waterproof "Compostone" floor, a material similar to tile. All of the plumbing fixtures

are the best in order to provide the most sanitary conditions.

The plans provide for the best method of conducting the classes by the teachers and the superintendent, and the arrangement of rooms is such, on account of the main corridor running longitudinally with the building, that the teacher in charge of each floor can watch the march of the pupils to and from the class rooms and corridors. The building is heated by direct radiation and the ventilating fan system.

The assembly room is 64x80 and has a seating capacity of 268 desks and as an auditorium will seat about 600 people. This room is splendidly lighted by large windows at the east side and four huge sky lights. There is an electrically lighted stage that may be used for school entertainments and other public affairs.

There is a fine gymnasium on the first floor size 64x80 feet, with an elevated platform that is designed as a running track and seats for spectators. The floor space is entirely clear from supporting pillars or other obstructions, and the gymnasium is probably equal to that of any High school in Michigan.

The outer doors are equipped with anti-panic fixtures that make it impossible for anyone to become locked

within the building. The slightest indoor pressure upon the door fastenings, will immediately cause the doors to open outward.

Plans are in progress for a formal public opening of the new building to be held at the school house, Friday, January 21st, the anniversary of the day upon which the old building was burned. Governor Ferris and Supt. of Public Instruction, Keeler of Lansing and Prof. Henderson of Ann Arbor, have been invited to be present and make addresses. Program will be published later.

Ground was broken for the new school house about May 1st and ever since the work has gone steadily forward. Mr. Lather has given personal attention to the construction work and the manner in which he handled it is a great credit to him. He not only pleased the people in general but also the members of the Board of Education. Several changes were made in the plans during the course of construction and these were done willingly and with no tangled misunderstandings. It was a pleasure to work with him and the people feel that they owe Mr. Lather and his workmen a debt of gratitude. During the time he was here he also built us a new brick hotel and a double brick store building for Mr. Salling.

STATE WILL PAY FOR BIRD FEED.

Farmers Urged to Feed Game Birds During Heavy Snows.

The State Game, Fish and Forest Fire department, of Lansing, has urged the co-operation of the deputy wardens with the farmers in the feeding of quail and prairie chickens during the seasons of the winter when the grounds are heavily covered with snow and when food is hard to find. A letter from the Department, addressed to Reuben S. Babbitt, reads as follows:

Believing that Bob-White's future in Michigan depends largely on the active protection and care extended by the Game Warden's Department and the friendly co-operation of the farmer and sportsman, Commissioner Oates directs me to write you and all other deputies located in territory where quail and prairie chickens exist, requesting that special attention be given to the deep snows and intense cold weather.

The campaign to save these birds should be actively taken up at once, and you are requested to interview as many farmers as possible at their homes and in towns and villages of your district, on market days, with a view of enlisting their co-operations in this work.

We believe that the average Michigan farmer will gladly give so much of his time and sufficient suitable grain food as is necessary to save such coveys of quail and prairie chickens as may be found about his farm buildings or on his premises, during the winter months. If in carrying out this work you find conditions, that in your judgment warrant the purchase of wheat screenings, rape, vetch seed, or other suitable food, such claims will be allowed and paid by this Department.

All claims for grain or seed purchased or furnished for feeding quail or other game birds in your district, must be approved by you and we urge you to see to it that we get value received for all money expended in this

work of saving these cheerful friends of the farmer in Michigan.

Sincerely yours,
DAVID R. JONES,
Special Assistant.

Save Us.

Henry Stephens of Waters, Mich., erstwhile candidate for regent of the University of Michigan, arrived Tuesday in Santiago, Chile, as the guest of Romulo S. Naon, Argentine ambassador to the United States, and himself a guest of the Chilean government, Michigan, of course, is duly impressed with the social distinction of one of her citizens. But these honors have their dangers. The last time Mr. Stephens went to South America he wrote a book about it.—Detroit Saturday Night.

Aye! And there are other dangers! The last time Mr. Stephens came back from South America he ran for Regent of the University of Michigan. Grand Rapids Herald.

Masons Install New Officers.

The newly elected officers of Grayling lodge F. & A. M., were duly installed last Monday night, retiring master Allen B. Failing doing the installing. They are as follows:

W. M.—Frank Freeland.
S. W.—Ernest Matson.
J. W.—Frank Sales.
Treas.—R. D. Connine.
Secy.—Geo. N. Olson.
S. D.—Charles Schreck.
J. D.—Charles Abbott.
Steward—C. F. Fink.
Tyler—Frank Deckrow.
Marshal—Wm. Woodfield.
Chaplain—Allen B. Failing.

Following the installation the members enjoyed an oyster supper and social hour.

Greeting.

Another year has nearly flown, and before bidding it adieu, we desire to express our most sincere gratitude to all, who have co-operated so generously in our work during the past year. We wish them all a Merry Christmas and a joyful and prosperous New Year.

The Sisters of Mercy.

WILL OPEN NEW CAFE.

Hodge and King to Begin Business New Year's Night.

Messrs John Hodge and Clyde King will open their new cafe in the new Victor Salling building on Michigan avenue by serving a banquet for the fourth annual ball of the Loyal Order of Moose on New Year's night.

For the past week both gentlemen have been working hard to get their equipment and fixtures installed and they claim that they will have the finest cafe in Northeastern Michigan outside of Bay City, by the time they are thoroughly settled.

Everything is new and of high quality. The tables are with white top porcelain. The show cases are of new design and handsome. Following is the menu that will be served at the opening banquet:

Relish.
Oyster Stew.
Fricassee of Chicken with Gible Sauce.
Ice Cream and Cake.
Coffee. Tea.

Both Mr. Hodge and Mr. King are well known Grayling boys and need no introduction to our people. They are experienced in the business and well liked and no doubt will build up a splendid business in their venture.

Announcement of the C. S. N. Rural School Department.

For the benefit of those students who were not able to attend school during the fall term, the Central State Normal school at Mt. Pleasant will offer, in the Rural School department, during this winter term, courses in the widest possible range of subjects. Students, by this arrangement, may enter on January 3, 1916 just as advantageously as at any other time of the year.

Bear This in Mind.

"I consider Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by far the best medicine in the market for colds and croup," says Mrs. Albert Blosser, Lima, Ohio. Many others are of the same opinion. Obtainable everywhere.

Many Thanks

Again it is our very great pleasure to extend our sincere thanks to the generous hearted people of this community for the increased patronage with which we have been favored in 1915, as well as in former years.

Our gratitude goes out to you in unstinted measure, and with it the hope that all this world of ours may be kind and generous to you in the many years we trust are yet before you.

We express the hope that you will remember us in the future as you have done in the past, and we assure you our constant endeavor will be to meet your wishes in an acceptable manner in every case.

EMIL KRAUS

GREETINGS

To Our Friends and Patrons:

In plain and simple language, and with each word pregnant with truth and sincerity, we offer you the compliments of the season and tender you our thanks for your goodness to us during the past year.

....

Your support has been generous to a degree, even beyond our fondest expectations, and your many kind words conveyed to us have been an inspiration and have served as an impetus in many weary hours of toil.

....

And we greet you, and express the wish that the new year about to be born may be one of great prosperity, contentment and happiness to you and to those who are dear to you.

Sincerely yours,

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

O. P. SCHUMANN.

Happy New Year

Make it one in fact by becoming a steady customer at this store, where you receive courtesy, accommodation, protection and good fellowship. Take your rightful place among the substantial men and women of this community who appreciate good store service, and good groceries, by purchasing from this store. We are here to serve you.

And now as this year comes to a close, we wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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THE BATTLE-CRY

By CHARLES NEVILLE BUCK
AUTHOR of "The CALL of the CUMBERLANDS"
ILLUSTRATIONS by C. D. RHODES

CHAPTER XX—Continued.

The little town itself lay dismal and helpless, with its shacks scattered over its broken and uneven levels. Dawn, perhaps, found it hardest; for in this one day dawn had grown up, and tomorrow would bring the boy whom she now confessed to loving, though she confessed it with self-contempt, leading a force to meet that of her own people, fighting to avenge her father. Juanita, whose eyes could not escape ironical reminders when she glanced down at the Christmas packages, seemed to hear over and over the voice of Anse Havey saying: "I'm doing it because ye asks it."

She had sought to avert an assassination, and it seemed that the effort would precipitate a holocaust. Anse was very busy, but he found time to come to her that afternoon. In the bare little hotel lobby the firelight glinted on many rifles as their owners lounged about the hearth.

And in Anse she saw once more the stern side. His face was unsmiling, and in his eyes was that expression which made her realize how inflexibly he would set about the accomplishment of the thing he had undertaken. Then, as he spoke to her, a sudden softness came into his eyes.

"God knows I'm sorry," he said, "that this thing broke just now. I didn't aim that ye should be no eye-witness."

Juanita smiled rather wanly. Old Milt, he told her, would soon be released. "We ain't even goin' to keep him in the jailhouse no longer than mornin'." We couldn't convict him, an' it would only bring on more trouble.

"Why was he arrested?" she asked blankly.

"Just to keep him out of mischief overnight," he smiled. "Even the law can be used for strategy."

"What will happen when the McBriars come back?" she demanded in a shaken voice.

He shook his head. "I can't hardly say," he replied.

But the next morning Anse Havey came again and cautioned the two women not to leave their rooms and not to keep their shutters open. All that day the town lay like a turtle, tight drawn into its shell. Streets were empty. Doors were locked and shutters barred. Toward evening, to the girl's bewilderment, she saw Haveys riding out of town instead of into it. Soon there were no more horses at the racks. By night the place which was to be assaulted tomorrow seemed to have been abandoned by its defenders.

Old Milt McBriar had ridden out in the morning, freed but wrathful, to meet the men who were hurrying in. The figure of Anse Havey she saw often from her window, but for the most part the force of Haveys had evaporated.

Then followed another wretched night, and with forenoon the snow, wrapped towns settled down to the empty silence of a cemetery, but with early afternoon the snow procession began to come in. A long and continuous stream of McBriar horsemen, each armed to the teeth, rode past the hotel and went straight to the courthouse. Then she heard again the sound she had heard on her first night in the mountains, only now it came from a hundred throats.

It was the McBriar yell, and pistol shots. The clan was going away again and shooting up the town as they went, but what had happened down there at the courthouse?

CHAPTER XXI.

Later she heard the story. The McBriars had come expecting battle. They had found every road open and the town deserted. For a time they had gone about looking for trouble, but found no one to oppose them. Then Old Milt and his son had ridden to the courthouse to demand the keys of the jail. They found Judge Sidering sitting in the little office, and with him, quite unarmed and without escort, sat Bad Anse Havey. When the two McBriars, backed by a score of armed men, broke fiercely into the room, others massed at their backs, crowding doorway and hall.

Judge Sidering greeted his visitors as though no intimation had ever reached him that they were coming with a grievance.

"Come in, Milt, and have a chair," he invited.

"Cheer, hell!" shouted Milt McBriar. "Give me the keys to that jailhouse, an' give 'em to me quick!"

Opening the drawer of his desk as if he had been asked for a match, Judge Sidering took out the big iron key to the outer door and the smaller brass key to the little row of cells. He tossed the two across to Milt in a matter-of-fact fashion.

Five minutes later the McBriar chief was back trembling with rage. He had found the jail empty.

"If you're lookin' for Luke Thixton, Milt," said the judge calmly, "the high sheriff took him to Louisville yesterday for safe-keeping."

The answer was a bellow of rage. Old Milt McBriar threw forward his rifle.

Anse looked up and spoke slowly: "I reckon it wouldn't profit ye much to harm us, Milt. We ain't armed, an' it would bring on a heap of trouble."

Outside rose an angry chorus of voices. The news that the jail was empty had gone through the crowd.

For a time the McBriars stood there debating his next step. The town seemed at his mercy. Seemed! That word gave him pause. The way home lay through Havey territory, which might mean twenty miles of solid ambush. Anse Havey sat too quietly for Milt's ease of mind. Was he baiting some fresh trap?

The old intriguer felt baffled and at sea. He had grown accustomed to weighing and calculating with guileful deliberation. He balked at swift and impulsive action. Moreover, if he debated long, he might not be able to control his men. He looked up to see little Milt, who was fighting back the crowd at the door and locking them out. Beyond the panels could be heard loud swearing and the impatient shuffling of many feet.

"What shall we do, son?" inquired the older man of the younger. His voice had a note of appeal and breaking power.

When Young Milt had ridden out of Peril no feudist in the hills had borne a heart fuller of hatred and hunger for vengeance, but that was because of his father. Now his father was free. For Luke Thixton he had a profound contempt. He saw in the situation only a game of wits in which Anse Havey was winner.

"Well," he replied with a grin he could not repress, "hit looks right smart ter me like that ain't nothin' to do but ride on back home an' try again next time."

That counsel in the end prevailed. Outside there had been a short, sharp struggle with a mutinous spirit. These men had come for action and they did not want to ride back felled, but the word of Old Milt had stood unchallenged too long to fall now. Yet he led back a grumbling following and bore a discounted power. They could not forget that a Havey had worsted him.

So the spirit of the men who had come to fight vented itself in the yell and the random shots to which there was no reply, and again a train of horsemen went on their way into the hills.

When it was all over and Juanita sat there in her empty school she was realizing that, after all, the desperate moment had only been deferred and must come with absolute certainty. Christmas was only two days off and her gun-rack was empty. When she had come home there had not been a single weapon there.

There would be no Christmas trees now! The beribboned packages lay in a useless pile. Had school been in session, she knew that the desks would have been as empty as the gun-rack. The whole turtlelike life had drawn in its head and the countryside lay as though besieged.

On Anse Havey's book-shelves were new volumes, for Juanita was feeding his scant supply, and a softer type of poetry was being added to his frugal and stern repertoire. A number of men left the mountains and went into exile elsewhere. These were the witnesses who must testify against Luke Thixton and whose lives would not have been worth a nickel had they stayed at home.

Then came Christmas day itself, bleak and soggy with the thaw that had set in and the moody dreariness of the sky. The sun seemed to have departed and made its course spirally across its daily arc.

Brother Anse Talbott came over to the school and found both women sitting apathetically by an untripped fire amid a litter of forgotten packages. The children of Tribulation were having the sort of Christmas they had always had—a day of terror and empty cheerlessness.

"Hit seems like a right smart pity fer them children ter be plumb, teatally disappointed," mused the old preacher. "Gee now, ye put names on them gewgaws, an' let me jest sorter ride round an' scatter 'em."

"You dear old saint!" cried Juanita, suddenly roused out of her apathy. "But you'll freeze to death an' get drowned in some ford."

"That's all right," the preacher answered briefly. "I reckon I kin go ther route."

It took Good Anse Talbott three days of battle with quicksand and mire to finish that mission. At each house he told them that Juanita Holland had sent him, and the girl was canonized afresh in hearts old and young, back in roadless coves and on bleak hillsides.

Every evening found Anse Havey seated before Juanita's hearth, studying the flicker of the firelight on her face. Every detail of her expression became to him as something he had always known and worshipped.

Some day Malcolm would come back

—and marry her—and then—at that point Bad Anse Havey refused to follow his trend of thought further. He only ground his teeth.

"Ye damn fool!" he told himself. "That ain't no reason why ye shouldn't make the most of today. She's right here now, an' she's sun an' moon an' star shine and music an' sweetness."

She did not know, and he gave her no hint, that in these times, with plots and counterplots hatching on both sides of the ridge, he never made that journey in the night without inviting death. He was walking miles through black woodland trails each evening to relieve for an hour or two her loneliness and to worship with sealed lips and a rebellious heart.

On the night before he was to go to Peril to attend the trial of Luke Thixton he came with a very full and heavy heart. He knew that it might be a farewell. Tomorrow he must put to the test all his hold on his people and all his audacity of resolution. He stood at the verge of an Austerlitz or a Waterloo, and he had undertaken the thing for no reason except that it had pleased her to command it.

He knew that among his own followers there were smiles for the power which a "furrin" woman had come to wield over him, and if one failure marred his plans those smiles would become derisive. It was weakness to go on as he was going, gazing dumbly at her with boundless adoration he dared not voice. Tonight he would bluntly tell her that he was doing these things because he loved her; that, while he was glad to do them, he could not let her go on misunderstanding his motives.

But when he reached the school she rose to receive him, and he could see only the slimmest of her graceful figure and the smile of welcome on her lips, and the man who had never been recalcitrant before to the mandate of resolution, became tongue-tied.

She held out a hand, which he took with more in his grip than the hand-clasp of friendship, but that she did not notice.

"Anse," she laughed, "I've had a letter from home today urging me to give up and come back. They don't realize how splendidly I am going to succeed, thanks to your help. I want you to go with me soon and mark some more trees for felling. It won't be long now before they can begin building again."

"I wonder," he said, looking at her with brows that were deeply drawn and eyes full of suffering, "if ye'll ever have time to stop talkin' about the school for a little spell an' remember that I'm a human being?"

"Remember that you're a human being?" she questioned in perplexity. She stood there with one hand on the back of her chair, her face puzzled. He decided at once that this expression was the most beautiful she had ever worn, and he sturdily held that conviction until her eyes changed to laughter, when he forsook his allegiance to the first fascination for the second.

"Are you sure you are a human being?" she teased. "When you wear that sulky face you are only half human. I ought to make you stand in the corner until you can be cheerful."

"I reckon," he said a little bitterly, "if ye ordered me to stand in the cor-



Christmas Was Only Two Days Off and Her Gun Rack Was Empty.

ner I'd just about do it. I reckon that's about how much manhood I've got left."

But he laughed, too, in the next moment.

The morning of the trial dawned on a town prepared to face a bloody day. Long before train-time crowds had drifted down to the station.

As though by common consent, the McBriars stood on one side of the track and the Haveys on the other.

For an hour they massed there, lowering of face, yet quietly waiting. Then the whistle shrieked across the river and each crowd moved a little forward, hands tightened on rifles, awaiting the supreme moment.

The deputy sheriffs came out of the depot and stood waiting between the two groups with a strained assumption of unconcern. But when the train arrived it carried an extra coach, and at sight of it the McBriars groaned and knew once more they were defeated.

They had come to wrest a prisoner from a sheriff's posse and encountered trained soldiery. Behind the opened shades of the coach they saw a solid mass of blue overcoats and brown service-hats. Every window bristled with rifle-barrels and fixed bayonets. Then, while the train was held beyond

its usual oriel stop, and while those rifle-barrels were trained impartially on Haveys and McBriars, a line of soldiers began pouring out into the road and forming cordons along each side of the track. Both lines moved slowly but unwaveringly forward, pressing back the crowds before their urgent bayonets.

Two wicked-looking galling guns were unloaded from the baggage car, and, tending them as men might handle beloved pets, came squads whose capes were faced with artillery red.

Shortly a compact little procession in column of fours, with the galling guns at its front and a hollow square at its center, was marching briskly to the courthouse. In the hollow square went the defendant, handcuffed to the sheriff. Without delay or confusion the galling guns were put in place, one commanding the courthouse square and one casting its many-eyed glance up the hillside at the back.

Then, with the bayonets of sentries crossed at the doors, the bell in the cupola rang while Judge Sidering walked calmly into the building and instructed the sheriff to open court.

His honor had directed that every man save officials who sought admission should be dismissed at the door. Luke Thixton bent forward in his chair and growled into the ear of Old Milt McBriar, who sat at his left. "I've got to mug, an' I want ye as a fish on a hilltop. Hain't ye goin' ter do nothin' fer me?" and Milt looked about helplessly and swore under his breath.

One onlooker there had not been searched, Young Jeb bore the credentials of a special deputy sheriff, and under his coat was a holster with its flap unbuttoned. While the panel was being selected, while lawyers wrangled and witnesses testified; while the court gazed off with half-closed eyes, rousing only to overrule or sustain a motion, Young Jeb sat, with his arms on the table, and never did his eyes leave the face of the accused.

It was a very expeditious trial. Judge Sidering glanced at the faces of Old Milt and Young Jeb, and had no desire to prolong the agony of those hours. The defense half-heartedly relied upon the old device of a false alibi, which the state promptly punctured. Even the lawyers seemed in haste to be through, and set a limit on their arguments.

At the end his honor read brief instructions, and the panel was locked in its room.

Then the McBriars drew a little closer around the chair where Old Milt waited, and the militia captain strengthened his guard outside and began unostentatiously sprinkling uniform men through the dingy courtroom until the hidden-gray throng was flecked with blue.

At length there came a rap on the door of the juryroom, and instantly the low drone of voices fell to a hush. His honor poured a glass of water from the chipped pitcher at his elbow, while Luke Thixton and Milt McBriar, for all their immobility of feature, braced themselves. Like some restless animal of many legs, the rough throng along the courtroom benches scraped its feet on the floor.

Young Jeb shifted his chair a little so that the figure of the defendant might be in an uninterrupted line of vision. His right hand quietly slipped under his coat, and his fingers loosened a weapon in its holster and nursed the trigger.

Then, with a dragging of shoe-leather, the twelve "good men and true" shambled to a semicircle before the bench, gazing stolidly and blankly at the rows of battered law books which served his honor as a background.

There they stood awkwardly in the gaze of all. Judge Sidering glanced into the beaming countenance of their foreman and inquired in that bored voice which seems a judicial affectation even in questions of life and death: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon a verdict?"

The foreman nodded. The sheet of paper, which he passed to the clerk, had been signed by more than one juror with a cross because he could not write.

"We, the jury," read the clerk in a clear voice, "find the defendant, Luke Thixton, guilty as charged in the indictment." There, although he had not yet reached the end, he indulged in a dramatic pause, then read on the more important clause in the terms of the Kentucky law which leaves the placing of the penalty in the hands of the jurors—"and fix his punishment at death."

As though relieved from a great pressure, young Jeb McNash withdrew his hand from his holster and settled back in his chair with flaccid muscles. Judge Sidering's formal "So you all, gentlemen?" and twelve shaggy heads nodded wordless affirmation.

Soldiers filed in from the rear, in less than thirty seconds the prisoner had disappeared. Outside the galling guns remained in place, and the troops patrolled the streets.

For two days the McBriars stayed in town, but the troops lingered longer, and in that time Luke had again been taken back to Louisville.

Once more Old Milt led back a disgruntled faction with no more spirited a program than to go home and bide its time again. When they brought Luke back to hang him, his friends would have one final chance.

A seeming of quiet, under which hot wrath smoldered, settled over hill and cove, but a new note began to run through the cabins of the McBriar dependents. It was a note of waning faith and loyalty for their chief.

Old Milt read the signs and felt that his dominion was now a thing upon which decay had set its seal, and un-

der his grave face he masked a breaking heart. His star was setting, and since he was no longer young and at times incapable of bending, he sickened slowly through the wet winter, and men spoke of him as an invalid.

With Milt "allie," there was no one to take up the reins of clan government, and those elements that had been held together only by his iron dominance began drifting asunder.

One mill day when a group of McBriars met with their sacks of grist at a water-mill, someone put the question: "Who's a-goin' ter go down thar an' take Luke Thixton away from ther Haveys now ther Old Milt's down an' out?"

There was a long silence, and at last a voice drawled: "Hit hain't a goin' ter be me. What's Luke Thixton ter me, anyhow? He didn't never lend me no money."

"I reckon thar's a heap o' sense in that," answered another. "Pears like, when I come ter recollect, mos' of ther fightin' an' fursin' I've done in my time hain't been in my own quarrels nohow." And slowly that spirit spread.

When Anse Havey went over to the school one day Juanita took him again to the rifle-rack, now once more well filled: "Have a look, my lord bar-



His Honor Had Directed That Every Man—Save Officials—Should Be Disarmed at the Door.

barian," she laughed. "Mars is payin' me tribute. So shall it ever be with tyranny."

Slowly, and one by one, Anse Havey took up the pieces and examined them. "It ain't only Mars that's payin' ye tribute," he thought, but he only said: "That's all right. I seem to see more McBriars guns there than Havey guns. It would suit me all right if ye got the last one of 'em."

"Hadin' you as well hang yours there, too?" she teased. "I'm still willing to give you the honors of war." But he only smiled. "Hit hang mine up last of all, I reckon. Luke Thixton ain't hung yet, and there's other clouds a brewin' besides that."

"What clouds?" she asked. "There was a bunch of surveyors through here lately," he replied slowly. "They just sort of looked round and went away. Some day they'll come back."

"And then?"

Anse Havey shrugged his shoulders there, too. "I may need my gun," he said. "Not until it became certain that he must die did Old Milt send for his son, or even permit him to be told of his illness. But just as the winter's siege was ending Young Milt came home, and two days later the mountains heard that the old feudist was dead."

Brother Anse Talbott and Juanita and a doctor who had come from Lexington were witnesses to that leave-taking. They saw the old man beckon feebly to the boy. Young Milt came and sat on the edge of the bed, schooling his features as he waited the final injunctions which, by his code, would be mandatory for life.

They all waited to hear the old lion break out in a final burst of vindictiveness, to see him lay upon his boy's young shoulders the unfinished ordeals of his hatreds. But it was the eye of the father, not the feudist, that gazed up from the pillow. His wasted fingers lay affectionately on his son's knee and his voice was gentle.

"Son," said the old man, "I'd love ter hev ye live at peace ef ye kin. I've done tried ther other way an' hit's kilt me. I'd rather ye'd let my fights be buried along with my body. Anse Havey's goin' ter run things in these mountings. He's a smarter man than me. I couldn't never make no peace with Anse Havey, but the things that's always stood betwixt us lays a long way back. Mobby you an' him mought put together an' end ther feud. I leaves that with you, but hit kilt ther ter make me see hit."

Here he broke off exhaustedly, and for a time seemed fighting for breath. At last he added: "I've knowed all along ther Luke killed Pletch McNash. I thought I'd ought ter tell ye."

A week after the death of the old leader Young Milt rode over to the house of Anse Havey, and there he found Jeb McNash. The two young men looked at each other without expression. Just after the death of his father Jeb would not willingly have renewed their quarrel, and as for Young Milt, he no longer felt resentment.

"Anse," said the heir to McBriar leadership, "I rid over here ter offer ye my hand. I've done found out ther Luke is es guilty es hell. I didn't bend him afore. So fur es I'm concerned, he kin hang, an' I'm goin' ter tell every McBriar man that ther harken ter me ther same thing. So fur as I'm concerned," went on the

lad, "I'm aginst the shootin' of any man from the law."

Just as the earliest flowers began to peep out with shy faces in the woods, and the first softness came to the air, men began rearing a scaffold in the courthouse yard at Peril.

One day a train brought Luke Thixton back to the hills, but this time only a few soldiers came with him, and they were not needed. Juanita tried to forget the significance of that Friday, but she could not, for all the larger boys were absent from school, and all day Thursday the road had been sprinkled with horses and wagons. She knew with a shudder that they were going to town to see the hanging. A gruesome fascination of interest attached to so unheard of an event as a McBriar clansman dying on a Havey scaffold with his people standing by idle.

But Luke Thixton, going to his death there among enemies, went without flinching, and his snarling lips even twisted a bit derisively when he mounted the scaffold, as they had twisted when he declined Good Anse Talbott's ministrations in the jail.

Since he must die among enemies, he would give them no weakness over which to gloat in memory.

He raised his head, and his snarl turned slowly and unpleasantly into a grin of contempt, and his last words were a picturesque curse called down alike on the heads of the foes who put him to death and on the false friends who had failed him.

Afterward Young Milt and Bad Anse shook hands, and the younger man said to the older:

"Now that I've proved to ye that I meant what I said, I reckon we can make a peace that'll endure a spell, can't we?"

And Anse answered: "Milt, I've been hopin' we could ever since the day we watched for the feller that aimed to burn down the school."

CHAPTER XXII.

That spring new buildings went up at the school and brave rows of flowers appeared in the garden.

At first her college had been a kindergarten in effect, but now as Juanita stood on the porch at recess she wondered if any other schoolmistress had ever drawn about her such a strange assortment of pupils. There were little tots in bright calico, glowering in big bows of cotton hair-ribbon—but submitting grudgingly to the combing of the hair they sought to adorn. There were larger boys and girls, too, and even a half-dozen men just now picking horsehoes and smoking pipes—and they also were learning to read and write.

In the afternoons women rode in on mules and horses or came on foot, and Juanita taught them not only letters and figures, but lessons looking to cleaner and more healthful cabins. May came with smiles and songs in the sky from sunrise to sunset, and in the woods, where the moisture rose and tender greens were sending out their hopeful shoots, the wild flowers unfolded themselves. Then Juanita Holland and Anse Havey would go together up to the ridge and watch the great awakening across the brown and gray humps of the hills, and under their feet was a carpet of glowing petals.

Anse Havey had never had such a companionship, and hidden things began to awaken in him. So when she stood there, with the spring breeze caressing the curling tendrils at her temples, and blowing her gingham skirt about her slim ankles, and pointed off, smiling, to his house, he dropped his head in mock shame.

"Only the castle moodily gloomed to itself apart," she quoted in accusation, and the man laughed boyishly.

"I reckon ye haven't seen the castle lately," he said. "Ye wouldn't hardly know it. It's gettin' all cleaned up an' made civilized. The eagle's nest is turnin' into a sure-enough bird cage."

"Who's changing now?" she bantered. "Am I civilizing you or—her eyes danced with badinage—"are you preparing to get married?"

His face flushed and then became almost surly.

"Who'd marry me?" he savagely demanded.

"I'm sure I don't know," she teased. "Whom have you asked?"

He bent a little forward and said slowly: "Once ye told me I was wastin' my youth. Ye loved I ought to be captain of my soul. If I found a woman that I wanted and she wouldn't have me—what ought I to do about it?"

There are two courses prescribed in all the correspondence schools, and both are perfectly simple," she announced with mock gravity. "One is simply to take the lady first and ask her afterward. The other is even easier; get another girl."

"Oh," he said. He was hurt because she had either not seen or had pretended not to see his meaning. She had not grasped the presumptuous dream and effrontery of his heart.

His voice for a moment became enigmatical as he added: "Sometimes I think ye've played hell in these mountains."

That spring silent forces were at work in the hills; as silent and less beneficent than the stirring sap and the brewing of showers.

Three men in the mountains were now fully convinced that what the world needs the world will have, and they were trying to find a solution to the question which might make their own people sharers in the gain, instead of victims. These three were Anse and Milt and Jeb, and their first step was the effort to hold landowners in check, and make them slow to sell and guarded in their bargaining.

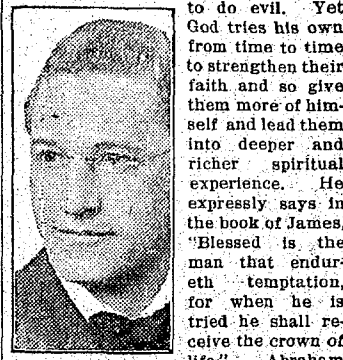
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Abraham's Supreme Trial

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TEXT—God did tempt Abraham—Gen. 22:1.

God cannot be tempted with evil, and neither does he tempt any man to do evil. Yet God tries his own to strengthen their faith, and so give them more of himself and lead them into deeper and richer spiritual experience. He expressly says in the book of James, "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation, for when he is tried he shall receive the crown of life."



Abraham had been tried by the Lord many times, but this last supreme trial has some characteristics which are common to many Christians' experience.

Unexpected.

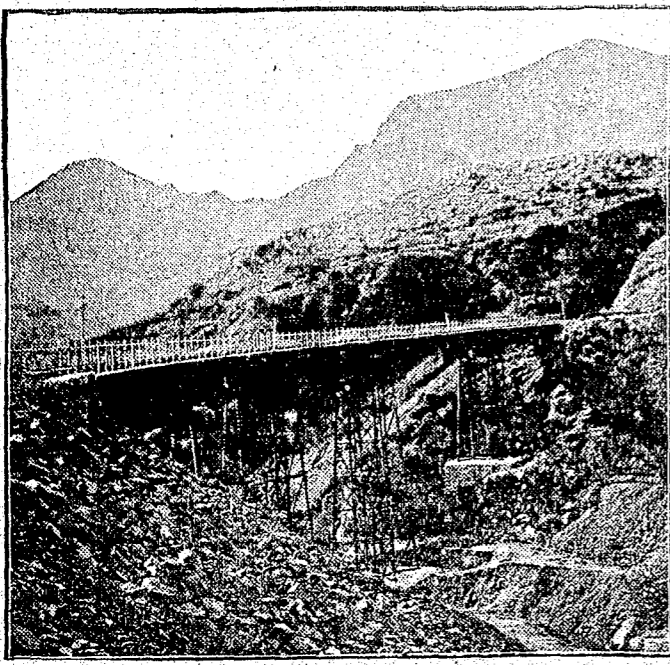
It is said that "after these things God did try Abraham." After a life journey of nearly one hundred and twenty-five years. After all the experiences which were packed into his life. After the birth and coming to age of the promised son. At a time when it would perhaps seem as though the life was completed and only needing the final touch of being taken away from the scene around him. He may have felt that now he could rest a little in his old age, and like Job, "die in his nest." But there never is perfection in this life and therefore the training is never done. Today's goal is but the starting point for tomorrow. Many of the Lord's people come to a time when they feel as though their life were complete. They have come over rough paths and hard ways. Trying experiences have been met, but it seems that these are all in the past and now, having passed them, they settle down as though there were an end of the testings and they had come to rest. But suddenly, in sweeps a harder test than any before. It comes all unexpected. Or they think they have conquered some part of the old nature and need not watch it longer. Then one day there comes the fierce attack, unlooked for and unexpected. But blessed is the man that endureth the unexpected temptation.

Unexplained.

As far as the record goes, the Lord gave Abraham no word of explanation concerning the offering up of Isaac. God simply told him to take his son whom he loved and offer him a burnt offering. Abraham was human, like ourselves, so we can readily believe that into his mind, as so often into our own, there sprang the question, Why? We desire to know so much of the Lord's doings before we are ready to obey him. What a mark of unconscious unbelief it is when we try to inquire as to why God does this or that in his dealings with us. He applies the test and then, before we meet it, we want to know the "why" for it. We show so much of distrust when hanging back from doing as he says because we do not understand. But God's trials are not all explained. He seldom lets us know why, for if we knew there would be little opportunity for faith to operate.

Unreasonable.

GREATEST VIADUCT IN CHILE



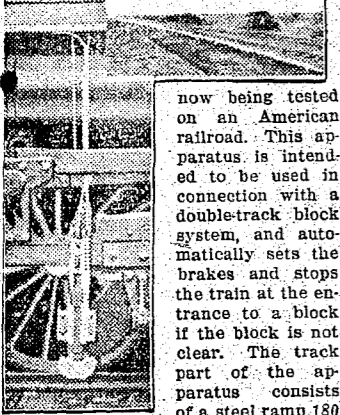
This Viaduct on the Santiago and Valparaiso Railroad, Recently Completed, Is Considered a Triumph of Engineering. A Glance at the Illustration Will Show the Difficulties That Had to Be Overcome by the Builders.

NEW AUTOMATIC STOP

DEVICE, IT IS CLAIMED, CHECKS TRAIN'S SPEED AT ONCE.

Men of the Rail Will Recognize the Simplicity of Its Construction and Method of Working—Electricity Is Employed.

It is claimed that a train going 60 miles an hour can be stopped within 2,000 feet by means of an apparatus



now being tested on an American railroad. This apparatus is intended to be used in connection with a double-track block system, and automatically sets the brakes and stops the train at the entrance to a block if the block is not clear. The track part of the apparatus consists of a steel ramp 180 feet long supported on the ends of the ties at a distance of 22 inches from the rail. This ramp slopes each way from the center, the center being three inches higher than the ends. Each locomotive operating on this section of the road is equipped with a contact shoe that engages the ramp and is mounted on the lower end of a vertical rod, the whole being supported on the crosshead guides. As the locomotive passes the ramp this shoe is raised three inches. The shoe operates a piston and through this a pneumatic mechanism that closes the throttle and sets the brakes if the rear end of the ramp is not electrically charged, while if it is electrically charged, magnets are energized that hold the mechanism and prevent it from operating. The control consists of electrical connections so arranged that the rear end of the ramp is charged only when the block is clear. The forward end is always charged, so that trains are not interfered with when backing—Popular Mechanics.

Novel Railroad Bridge.

A bridge that is to be built for the Holland government railroad over the Serpene river in Java has been made complete in the shops in Holland and so carefully has this been done that no field work will be required in erecting the steel structure other than that of connecting the members, says Popular Mechanics. The bridge site is far from any kind of shop facilities, and to make sure that the structure would go together properly it was first erected as carefully as if on its permanent location, in the yards of the manufacturing company in Holland. Following this it was taken down and is to be shipped by steamer to Java. The bridge is of unusual design, consisting of three arched spans of steel connecting with short, straight trusses over the piers. It has a total length of 608 feet 10 inches and weighs 580 tons. It is designed to carry a single track railroad having a gauge of three and one-half feet.

Rush for Locomotives.

The call for locomotives the present year is very large. American orders for the first ten months of this year ordered 940 and the rate of orders is increasing, indicating that the domestic call will exceed 1,000. The foreign orders for ten months are 1,581. Word has gone out to the railroads that if they will need new equipment they had best reserve space now, as the prospect is the shops will be fully occupied later. Orders have been taken from Cuba, Spain and Greece, and it is expected that other neutral countries that have thought of Germany will send orders to this country.

Two Birds Had Occupied Nest. A North Westmoreland (Eng.) farmer in the course of his rounds through his fields found a nest with 25 eggs in it. The large number was not the only marvel, for on examining the eggs he found that 15 of them belonged to a pheasant and the remaining 10 to a partridge. The pheasant, as the stronger bird, was the probable intruder.

Indian Railroaders Pensioned. India's railroads pension all old employees.

BRIGHT FUTURE FOR ROADS

Expert Sees Nothing but Prosperity for American Lines—Comparison of Capitalization.

A study of some recent comparative statistics issued by the bureau of railroad economies ought to repay the investor whose vision is not limited by stock market prices.

So far as they could be compared, the railroads of 38 countries were analyzed and certain facts brought out that should indicate roughly the development to be expected in the United States.

For instance, in the number of miles of line operated per 100 square miles of area, our country is behind practically all of the older nations of commercial importance. Our figure is 8.4, France's 12.18, Austria's 12.2, Denmark's 15.45, Germany's 18.08, Holland's 18.3, Hungary's 10.61, Italy's 9.78, Switzerland's 19.38, Belgium's 25.78, and the United Kingdom's (England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales) 19.3. In this respect we are ahead of such countries as Japan, Sweden, Cuba, Bulgaria, Roumania, Spain, Portugal, the South American countries, New Zealand and Australia.

In miles of line operated per 10,000 of population we are under Australia (excepting New South Wales), Canada and the Argentine, and we are far above the old countries named in the preceding paragraph.

It is reasonable to predict that our figure of 26.15 miles of line operated per 10,000 of population will fall toward the 5.71 of Germany or the 5.13 of the United Kingdom. It will fall faster than the figure of miles operated per 100 square miles of area will rise.

Our population growth will continue steady and rapid; the growth of railway mileage will be much slower in proportion, writes John M. Oakison in the Chicago Daily News.

Our railroad capitalization (upon which interest and dividends must be earned) is \$63,535 a mile; that of the United Kingdom \$27,147, of France \$148,463, of Germany \$116,365, of Switzerland \$122,010. We compare best with Canada's \$64,054.

As population grows and traffic becomes denser the capitalization of our roads will increase.

ALL FAVOR ELECTRIC POWER

Many Important Facts Brought Out in a Comparison Between Its Use and That of Steam.

The fact that no boilers are required on electric locomotives eliminates one of the large sources of trouble for the motive power department. One locomotive can also be run over several different divisions without injury to it, without reducing its efficiency. Under present operating conditions, with steam locomotives, it is rarely possible to run either a passenger or freight locomotive over more than one engine district, which will average from 100 to 150 miles. Under electrical operation, solid through trains can be run over several divisions without any longer stops at the present terminals than would be made at ordinary way stations.

The maximum results for steam engines are obtained partially by the quality of the coal used and by the ability of the fireman to keep plenty of coal in the firebox. With electrical engines they can be run at fairly uniform speed and in making long, heavy mountain climbs they should be as efficient for the last few miles near the top of the climb as when starting up the grade. The success of the work will mean the gradual electrification of whole systems.

Of Course, It's a Whopper. A paragraph is going the rounds of the Eastern newspapers to the effect that there are more than a hundred girl students weighing more than two hundred pounds each enrolled in the University of Kansas. It has prompted the Toledo Blade to remark that it constitutes the answer to the old query: "What's the matter with Kansas?"—Kansas City Star.

Hour-Glass Auctioneer. An ancient custom has just been observed at Chard, Somerset, England, when a meeting of the burgesses conducted the annual letting of the market tolls. An hour-glass was set, and while the sand trickled from one half to the other, bids were made. The buyer of the tolls was determined by the last bid before the sand ran down.

Times for Disappearing. A man ought not only to go into his closet to pray, but also to eat corn on the cob and fried chicken.—Judge.

SCANDINAVIAN NEWS

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN FAR OFF NORTHWEST.

ITEMS FROM THE OLD HOME

Resume of the Most Important Events in Sweden, Norway and Denmark—Of Interest to the Scandinavians in America.

DENMARK.

Niels Nielsen Knorrasse of Vorbasse went out hunting and he was lucky enough to kill a rabbit. While walking around with his booty he heard a brood of pheasants being called together. He put down his rabbit (he could pick it up on his way home) and began to creep on all fours towards the birds. But unfortunately a fox came out of a thicket and began to figure on the pheasants, too. The birds noticed the fox and flew away before Niels could get a shot at them. But it is well known that misfortunes are not in the habit of coming singly, and when Niels got far enough to look for his rabbit, he came just in time to see the fox pick up the rabbit and carry it into the thicket. The next day at dusk Niels went quietly to the place where he had dropped the rabbit, to see if he could settle the case between himself and the fox. And this time he was successful. Mr. Reynard came in sight, stealthily sneaking up to the spot where he had found the rabbit, and Niels greeted him with a load of shot which did its work.

Capt. Anton G. Thomsen of the Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VIII, which arrived in New York recently from Copenhagen and Christiansand, recently completed his two hundredth round trip across the sea since 1881, when he became commander of the steamship Thingvalle, 1,600,000 miles, and the vessels under his command have carried 125,000 cabin passengers. In this period he never has had a mishap. He is commodore of a fleet of 153 vessels, and for rescue work at sea has been decorated by the King of Sweden as Knight of Vasa and made a knight of Dannebrog by the king of Denmark.

Jens Nielsen Bay of Snudstrup spent his eighty-first birthday driving some cattle from his home to Viborg and back again, covering a distance of 24 miles. The old man is busy every day, and in winter he is in the habit of spearing eels.

Karl Petersen, rector of the gymnasium at Flensborg, South Jylland, has been informed by the German war department that his fifth and last son, Lieut. Hans Petersen, wounded near Grodno, has died in the hospital. The four older sons of the noted educator had already been killed on the western front and in Galicia.

SWEDEN.

The recent trouble that Sweden has had with England over cotton has made a queer situation in that country. Immense consignments of baled cotton to Sweden aroused the suspicions of England, and in response to a question the Swedish government stated that this cotton was destined for her mills but refused to tell where it was to go after being manufactured. England then began stopping cargoes of cotton destined for Swedish mills and Sweden retaliated by refusing to allow Russian shipments of cotton to pass through, tossing the bales from the trains as they were in transit, until now trains to Russia pass through solid walls of baled cotton for miles and miles and the scene resembles nothing so much as the "sunny South" during harvest season.

Archbishop Soderblom, Prof. S. Ribbing and L. Lindroth have organized a foundation called Sigtunastiftelsen. The foundation, which is to begin its operations in 1917, has for its aim the advancement of the cause of the Lutheran reformation. The work may be done by way of establishing educational institutions, providing for lectures courses, rewarding apologetic efforts in speech or writing, establishing a hospice, in short, by providing for education and edification according to the principles and practices of the Lutheran church.

The government is making thorough investigations as to the wages of employees at the hotels and restaurants of Sweden. There are about 10,000 hotels, restaurants, and cafes in the country.

Even Crown Princess Margareta has made a contribution to the book market of Sweden this year, her effort being on "Our Garden at Solero."

On account of peace rumors the bulls had a wild time at the Stockholm exchange in the early part of November. As an extreme case it is mentioned that the stocks of the Sven Steamship company rose 56 points. The sales for a single day amounted to 1,126,000 kronor.

The railway department will employ no man as a regular station agent until he has done all kinds of work at a railway station, both in the passenger and freight departments, such work to cover a period of at least one year.

The tanners of southern and central Sweden report that they have plenty of hides as well as tanning materials. They buy hides in Sweden and Denmark, and at the same time the imports from La Plata have not been stopped.

King Gustaf, being well aware that the Duchess Dowager of Dalarna was highly interested in the work carried on at the Hagalund industrial institute, commemorated the anniversary of her death by donating \$2,700 to the institute.

The Stockholm blind people's union has taken up a new branch of work by giving the blind instruction in typewriting and shorthand. A beginning was made last summer, and the results are said to be astounding. Now a penmanship institute has been formally opened. This is the first penmanship school of its kind in Sweden.

Henry Ford's peace mission is regarded by the Swedish press as a novelty which will have no chance to intervene in the cause of peace. No acknowledgment of the mission, it is stated, will be made by the Swedish authorities and the American legation has taken no notice of it.

Last year there were 238 timber fires in Sweden, and no less than 119 of them were started by lightning. About 30,000 acres were swept by the flames.

NORWAY.

With its masts blown out by gales, its captain and crew exhausted from long strain, the Norwegian ship Souverain is in quarantine at Diamond Point after a voyage of 161 days from Liverpool to Puget Sound. The log of the trip sounds like a tale of a century ago. Sailing in ballast from Liverpool June 18, the Souverain started its voyage for the Columbia river, coming by way of the Cape of Good Hope. In the South Atlantic it experienced several hurricanes, but came through these safely and rounded Good Hope in 70 days after leaving Liverpool. A shortage of fresh provisions resulted in an outbreak of beriberi. Seven members of the crew were attacked by the disease and on November 1 one of the sailors died and was buried at sea. On November 9 the Souverain managed to put into the port of Ensenada, Mexico, and fresh food was obtained. Captain Svendsen, the second officer, and four of the crew went ashore in the ship's boat. A supply of vegetables and fresh meat was purchased and placed in the boat, but when the men were about to return they were taken under arrest, the provisions taken out and the boat hauled up on the port pier. Captain Svendsen and his men were taken to jail, where they spent an uncomfortable night and slept without bed or covering. No explanations were offered other than they were regarded as highly suspicious persons. Next morning the British vice-consul interested himself in the matter, and through his efforts the men were released and permitted to take their supplies to the ship. The change in food worked wonders for the beriberi victims, and they began to improve at once. The Souverain sailed from Ensenada November 15, reaching the Columbia lights Thanksgiving afternoon. On that day the Souverain encountered a severe southern gale. The vessel found it impossible to negotiate the river bar. The wind practically stripped it of its sails before it reached its destination.

The other day the American freight steamer Maumee of New York, with a cargo made up mostly of American paper, arrived at Bergen to coal. It had to leave the place, however, without coal, as all the dealers were warned by British authorities that if the steamer with supplies alleged to be destined for Germany, by way of Sweden, got bunkers by them, English coal sellers at once would stop trade connections with them. England also has threatened to stop the great import to Norway of olive oil from Italy and Spain, and sheet metal used in the canning industry, unless the Norwegian importers guaranteed that no canned product to which such oil or tin is used, shall be exported to any of England's enemies, and many canning plants had to yield to this. The country is full of "mercantile" spies, keeping watch of the export and import, reporting through their embassies or consulates or directly home to the foreign office. It happens that old Norwegian firms, who for years have been trading in England, get letters from their English business connections that they cannot do business with them any longer as a report from Norway says that they have "assisted German trawlers" or something like that, even though the report can be proved to have been without any foundation. The Norwegian press, commenting on this, calls the attention of the Norwegian government to the way England is trying to control Norwegian trade and industry and to the Norwegian business men against selling their right of independence to England. Even the English paper, Economist, has warned the British authorities against this trade policy to the Scandinavians, and also says that "when Great Britain is neutral itself the Briton always is the first to claim the right for neutrals to do business with each other and with belligerents and always has protested against an extension of the contraband list to provisions and raw materials."

More than 500 Norwegians from Minneapolis and the northwest sailed from New York for Europe one day recently. The delegation is on its way to the old homes in Norway with "Juletid" greetings from the United States. The delegation from Minneapolis, which arrived in Washington, D. C., by special train, was taken in charge of Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota, Senators A. J. Gronna and Thomas Sterling of North and South Dakota. They visited the capital, saw congress in session, and at noon departed for New York.

Two very unusual deaths are reported from Gjerstad, Bernt Gutormsen Melaa, gravedigger and sexton, and his wife, Kjersti, both died on the same day from apoplexy. Mr. Melaa was born in 1825, and his wife one year later. They celebrated their diamond wedding November 10, 1912, and they were buried on the same date this fall.

It is seriously proposed to establish a university at Bergen, and 17 persons have subscribed about \$125,000 toward the necessary funds.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

Live Stock.

DETROIT—Cattle: Market steady; best heavy steers, \$7.25; best heavy weight butchers steers, \$6.70; mixed steers and heifers, \$5.50; handy light butchers, \$5.60; light butchers, \$4.50; best cows, \$5.60; butchers cows, \$4.25; common cows, \$3.75; canners, \$2.50; best heavy bulls, \$5.50; bologna bulls, \$4.75; stock bulls, \$4.40; feeders, \$5.50; stockers, \$5.00; milkers and springers, \$4.00.

Veal Calves—Market steady; best grades, \$10.00; others, \$7.00.

Sheep and lambs—Market steady; best lambs, \$9.50; fair lambs, \$8.75; light to common lambs, \$7.00; yearlings, \$8; fair to good sheep, \$5.50; culls and common, \$4.40.

Hogs—Market 10c lower; pigs \$5.50; others \$6.10.

EAST BUFFALO—Receipts of cattle, 90 cars; market very slow; heavy and shipping grades 25¢ to 35¢ lower; butcher stuff 15¢ to 25¢ lower; yearlings, dry-fed, \$8.50; choice to prime shipping steers, native \$8.50, fair to good \$7.50; 7.75, plain and coarse \$7.25; Canadian steers, 1,400 to 1,450 lbs., \$7.75; do 1,200 to 1,350 lbs., \$7.75; do 1,100 to 1,250 lbs., \$7.75; do 1,050 to 1,150 lbs., \$6.50; 7; choice to prime handy butchers steers, natives \$7.25; 7.65, fair to good grassers \$6.50; light common grassers \$5.50; 6; prime fat heifers, \$5.50; 7; good butchers heifers and steers, mixed, \$6.50; 6.75; light grassy heifers, \$5.00; best fat cows, \$5.75; 6.50; butcher cows, \$4.50; 5.25; cullers, \$3.50; 4; canners, \$3.40; fancy bulls, \$6.50; 6.75; butchers bulls, \$5.50; 6.25; sausage bulls, \$5.25; 5.75; light bulls, \$4.25; stockers, \$4.50; 6.25; feeders, \$6.25; 6.7; milkers and springers, \$6.00 to 10.00.

Hogs: Receipts, 110 cars; market 10¢ to 15¢ higher; heavy, \$6.80; 6.85; yorkers, \$6.75; pigs, \$6.25.

Sheep: Receipts 38 cars; market 15¢ to 25¢ higher; top lambs, \$10.45; 10.50; yearlings, \$8.00; wethers, \$6.75; 6.7; ewes, \$6.60.

Calves: Receipts, 500; market steady; tops, \$12; fair to good, \$10; 10.50; grassers, \$4.65.

Grains, Etc.

DETROIT—Wheat: Cash No. 2 red, \$1.23; December opened with an advance of 1/2¢ at \$1.25 and declined to \$1.23; May opened at \$1.31 3/4 and declined to \$1.29 1/4; No. 1 white, \$1.20.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 70c; No. 3 yellow 71 1/2¢; No. 4 yellow, 70c.

Oats—Standard, 46c; No. 3 white, 44c; No. 4 white, 41¢ 1/2; sample, 39¢ 1/2.

Rye—Cash No. 2, 96 1/2¢.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$3.55; December, \$3.55; January \$3.45.

Cloverseed—Prime spot and December, \$12.25; March, \$12.15; prime alsk, \$10.25.

Timothy—Prime spot, \$3.80.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$18.19; standard timothy, \$17.18; light mixed, \$17.18; No. 2 timothy, \$15.00; No. 1 mixed, \$14.15; No. 2 mixed, \$10.00; No. 1 clover, \$10.12; rye straw, \$7.50; wheat and oat straw, \$6.50 per ton in carlots, Detroit.

General Markets.

Apples—Baldwins, \$3.25; 3.50; Spies \$3.50; 4; Steel Reds, \$4.05 per bbl.; western box apples, \$1.75 to 2.25.

Beans—Lima, 6 1/2¢ to 7¢ per lb.

Butter—Official prices: Creamery extras, 34c; firsts, 32 1/2¢; packing stock, 18c; dairy, 22c per lb.

Cauliflower—\$2.00 to 2.25 per doz.

Cabbages—\$1.00 to 1.75 per bbl.

Cheese—Wholesale prices: Michigan flats, 16 1/2¢ to 16 3/4¢; New York flats, 17 1/2¢ to 17 3/4¢; Illinois, 2 1/2¢ to 3¢; 1 lb. 16 1/2¢ to 17¢; domestic Swiss, 20¢ to 25¢; imported Swiss, 35¢; long horns, 18 1/2¢ to 19¢ per lb.

Celery—Michigan, 20¢ to 25¢ per doz. Dressed calves—Fancy, 13c; common, 10¢ to 12c per lb.

Dressed hogs—Light, 8¢ to 12c; heavy, 7¢ to 12c per lb.

Eggs—Fresh receipts, candied, cases included, 21c; current receipts, 30c per doz. Receipts 927 cases.

Honey—Fancy white, new 15¢ to 16¢; amber, 10¢ to 11¢; extracted, 8¢ to 9¢ per pound.

Onions—\$1.00 to 2 per 100-lb sack; Spanish onions, \$1.50 to 1.60 per crate.

Joultry—Springs, 13 1/2¢ to 14¢; Leghorns and lightweights, 12¢ to 13¢; heavy hens, 11¢ to 12¢; medium hens, 10 1/2¢ to 11¢; No. 2, 9¢ to 10¢; roosters, 9¢ to 10¢; ducks, 16¢ to 16 1/2¢; geese, 14 1/2¢ to 15¢; spring turkeys, 23¢ to 24¢; old turkeys, 17¢ to 18¢ per lb.

Tallow—No. 1, 6 3/4¢; No. 2, 5 3/4¢ per lb.

Dressed poultry—Springs, 13¢ to 15¢; fowls, 12 1/2¢ to 13¢; geese, 15 1/2¢ to 16¢; ducks, 17¢ to 18¢; turkeys, 26¢ to 27¢; old 18¢ to 20¢ per lb.

Hay—Detroit dealers are paying the following prices, f. o. b. Detroit: New hay, No. 1 timothy, \$18.19; standard timothy, \$17.18; light mixed, \$17.18; No. 2 timothy, \$15.00; No. 1 mixed, \$14.15; No. 2 mixed, \$10.00; No. 1 clover, \$10.12; rye straw, \$7.50; wheat and oats straw, \$6.50 per ton.

Potatoes—Minnesota, early. Ohlos, car lots in bags, 80¢ to 85¢; rurals, 80¢ to 85¢; Michigan, 80¢ to 85¢ per sack.

Hides—No. 1 cured hides, 17 1/2¢; No. 1 green hides, 16¢; No. 1 cured veal kip, 15¢; No. 1 green kip, 18¢; No. 1 cured murrain, 16¢; No. 1 green murrain, 14¢; No. 1 cured calf, 22¢; No. 1 green calf, 20¢; No. 1 horsehides, \$4.50; No. 2 horsehides, \$3.50; sheep skins, as to amount of wool, 50¢ to 1.50; No. 2 kip and calf, 1 1/2¢ off; No. 1 hides, 1¢ off.

IS BUILDING FOR POSTERITY

Wonderful Possibilities Confront Woman When She Enters into the Marriage Relation.

When a woman enters the marriage relation, her sphere of influence is at once extended, and her horizon is no longer bound by the people and circumstances of the moment.

She is building for posterity. In the joy and thoughtfulness which characterizes her mind in the new relation there is a prophecy of unborn generations. Her life is to color other lives; her aspirations are to fix, to a great extent, the position and future of husband and family.

If she is cultured, pure and refined, these qualities will characterize the home which she creates. The higher the degree of her culture, her purity, her refinement, the more will these qualities characterize the home of which she is the center.

The personality that a woman takes with her in her marriage is her real dowry. If her dowry can be reckoned in numerals only, no matter how many they be, wrecked, indeed, will be her husband, impoverished her children.

But if she possesses industry, gentleness, self-abnegation, purity and intelligence, combined with capability, she is in herself a treasure of treasures.—New York Weekly.

TO STOP TERRIBLE RHEUMATIC PAINS

Get a box of true Mustarine in the original yellow box for about 25 cents at druggists. Rub it on the inflamed joints of muscles, and that almost unbearable agony will go at once.

No rheumatic sufferer can afford to be without true Mustarine, for it never fails to give blessed relief. Use it for aches or pains anywhere, and for sore throat, bronchitis and pleurisy. There's relief in every rub. It stops pain and congestion. True Mustarine is made by Berg Medicine Co., Rochester, N. Y.

The Fitting Hour.

"Mary!" Father's voice rolled down the stairs and into the dim and silent parlor.

"Yes, papa, dear."

"Ask that young man if he has the time."

A moment of silence.

"Yes, George has his watch with him."

"Then ask him what is the time."

"He says it is 11:43, papa."

"Then ask him if he doesn't think it about bedtime."

Another moment of silence.

"He says, papa," the silvery voice announced impersonally, "he says that he rarely goes to bed before one, but it seems to him that it is a matter of personal preference merely, and that if he were in your place he would go now if he felt sleepy."—Harper's Bazar.

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With Cuticura, the Quick, Sure and Easy Way. Trial Free

Bathe with Cuticura Soap, dry and apply the Ointment. They stop itching instantly, clear away pimples, blackheads, redness and roughness, remove dandruff and scalp irritation; heal red, rough and sore hands as well as most baby skin troubles.

Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Farm Deposits Instead of Loans.

One trouble with us in the South is that we think too much about a bank as being a place to get money in; instead of a place to put money in; and it would be better, as Doctor Butler recently suggested, if we said that it is "a rural banking system" that we need rather than a rural credit system—for it must embody the deposit and saving feature as well as the credit and borrowing feature.—From the Progressive Farmer.

To Prevent the Grip

Colds cause Grip—Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. Take only one box of Bromo Quinine. E. W. GROVE'S Signature on box 25c.

The Selection.

"Did you see where a western woman has a graphophone going in the barns at milking time?"

"Well, I hope they don't play the tune the old cow did on."

Make the Liver Do its Duty

Nine times in ten when the liver is right the stomach and bowels are right.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

gently but firmly compel a lazy liver to do its duty.

Cures Constipation, Indigestion, Sick Headache, and Distress After Eating.

SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE. Genuine must bear Signature

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 30

Death of a Year of Death.

Since the time of the third century Christmas has been celebrated as a day of joy in honor of the birth of Christ, our only perfect man.

It has ever been our policy to speak of Christmas in tones of gentleness, and love, and compassion, and humility; in words of praise and thankfulness for the blessings of the year that would soon pass into history.

Now we have passed the glorious Christmas day with feelings of sorrow, and sadness, and regret, for we are soon to witness the death of a year of death.

Today, when we should revel in the joy of living, we are consumed with compassion for our brothers who are perishing in the blood-soaked trenches of Europe.

We are weighed down with sorrow for the unfortunate women and children who must bear the burdens of the greatest and most destructive human blight the world has ever known.

Our hearts are saddened with regret that the week and gentle spirit of the Nazarine is forgotten in a wild and bloody carnage of death and destruction.

Nineteen hundred and fifteen, a year of death, will soon reach its own fitting end—in death.

There comes a time in the life of every person when neither tongue nor pen can express the language of the heart.

It is so with us as we write of this Christmas day.

Our face should be turned toward the Christ, yet in our vision we see the crimson stained fields of Europe, the famine ridden land of Mexico, the dying race of the Christian Armenians on every hand the grim and terrible spectre of harsh, violent, sudden and agonizing death.

Death of a year of death!
 Farewell, 1915! May we never see your like again!

Let the young people speed up the gaiety this winter. It will do them no harm and will serve to lighten the burdens of their labors and studies. To a certain degree young people are like young colts. If they are lively and skittish they have promise of a useful career, while if they are constantly kept in subjection and treated as hot house plants they will be just about as virile and as useful when they grow to maturity. And that brings out the thought that the young people are not the only ones who need more life in order to produce the best that is in them. We older heads need it even more than they, for we are growing older, and our joints need exercise, and our brains are crying for relaxation, and nature just naturally wants us to shake off that spirit of lethargy and brush the cobwebs from our vision. The brightness of social jollity would put new life into us, too. For nature, you know, is inexorable in its demands.

It is surprising what some editors discover. The Quincy, Ill. Herald says that there was everything on the Rotary Christmas tree from a cedar chest to a money order. Telegrams, eggs and oranges filled the stockings of the ladies presents.

Some men are always ready to rest on their laurels, and if they haven't any laurels they just keep right on resting anyway.



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Try a ton of our

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J. M. BUNTING.

Local News

The man with a backbone has little use for a wishbone.

County Clerk Niederer made a business trip to Gaylord Tuesday.

Ray Amidon came home Christmas day from Petoskey for a short visit with his parents.

The Grayling Social club will give a New Year's dancing party at their club rooms Friday night, December 31st.

Mrs. J. E. Bradley and daughter, Helen of Bay City are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Chamberlain for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles White of Traverse City were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nelson during the holidays. Mrs. White was formerly Miss Clara Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Graham of Saginaw were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Hanson over Christmas. Mrs. Graham remained until yesterday, but the former returned to Saginaw the first of the week.

H. Joseph received a telegram this morning stating that a nine pound baby girl had arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fredman of Milwaukee last evening. The latter was formerly, Miss Martha Joseph, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Joseph.

A Christmas greeting card received from Oscar Deckrow, sent from Minneapolis, Minn., says that he is greatly enjoying the Avalanche and looks forward to receiving it every week. He is assisting a scenic artist who makes a business of decorating theatres.

At a special election held last night, Holger Hanson was elected to the office of Chancellor Commander of the Knights of Pythias. This change was made necessary owing to the leaving of the city by Emil Hanson, who had been elected to that office.

Dr. Palmer received the news this morning from Belle Plains, Iowa, that his brother Albert Palmer was very low and his recovery doubtful. Mr. Palmer has visited here several times and will be remembered by many. He is 90 years of age and up to a few years ago had led a busy life.

The Grayling Fish hatchery received from the West Buxton hatcheries, of Maine, last week a half million of brook trout eggs. These are a specially fancy lot and Mr. Zalsman says are as large eggs as he ever saw. They are a fine stock and came thru in good shape. This is the second shipment to come in this season and more are to follow.

Miss Helen Reagan was hostess to the Queen's Social club at her home last evening. The members numbering eighteen, enjoyed progressive pedro during the evening, for which three prizes were given. After the cards a most delicious two course luncheon was much enjoyed by the members. It was one of the nicest evenings the club have had, and Miss Helen proved herself a charming hostess.

The new gymnasium at the new school building, will be opened with basket ball games tonight between the High school boys and girls and all city boys and girls. The first game will be called at 8:15 o'clock. Admission 15 and 25 cents. These will be the first games to be played upon this fine new floor and the event should draw a large attendance. The High School Athletic association are greatly in debt and they hope to be able to balance accounts from the proceeds of these games and have some left besides for the purchase of more gymnasium equipment. Do not miss these opening games. Everybody invited.

Emil Hanson has resigned his position as clerk of the trainmaster's department of the Michigan Central and accepted the position of chief clerk in the office of the superintendent of the Detroit-Jackson and Detroit-Bay City lines. He will leave this week to take up his new work. This appointment came thru D. W. Donohue, under whom he has been employed for the past year and a half. It is with exceeding regret that we have to lose Mr. Hanson from Grayling, for there are few young men in the community more highly respected than he. Also he is most capable in his work. Grayling township will lose as good a clerk as they ever had. For the past year he has been vice chancellor of the local K. of P. lodge and recently was elected to the highest office of the order. His place will be hard to fill in all three of these positions, and socially he and Mrs. Hanson will be greatly missed. However their friends wish them well and congratulate them on this nice promotion. Mr. Balser, of Bay City, will succeed Mr. Hanson as clerk in the local offices.

DuPont News Items.

Supt. Rose of the DuPont plant returned Monday from Bay City, where he spent Christmas with his family.

G. P. Lunt of the Badger Co., Boston, Mass., spent a few days here last week looking after the interests of his company, returning to New York, Friday evening to spend the holidays.

R. M. Torrey also of the Badger Co., who has been here for some time, left Friday for Boston, Mass., to spend Christmas with his parents and friends. He is expected to return this week to complete his work here with the DuPont company.

Jack Shouder, of the DuPont force

was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ayette of DuPont avenue at dinner Christmas Day. Jack is a lover of chicken and it is reported did full justice to the fowl, but after having a rest, over Sunday was ready for duty Monday morning as usual.

Charles Carlson, one of DuPont's good men, spent Christmas with his parents in Bay City, returning Monday morning. I don't know what Charley ate while there, but he did not seem to feel or look very good Monday. It may be the grip he has.

The first car load of charcoal was shipped from DuPont's new plant at Grayling Tuesday of this week. Five more are expected to be shipped this week. The plant partly shut down for a few days this week making some adjustments, but expect to go into full operations the first of the new year.

What's the matter with Smith? There doesn't seem to be any word coming in this week. He must have been spending Christmas at home.

Mercy Hospital Notes.

Mrs. Geo. Fitzpatrick and little daughter, who have been at the hospital, were dismissed and returned to their home in Gaylord Christmas day.

Miss Kate Elliott left for her home at Gaylord Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Warren and baby son are doing nicely at Mercy hospital.

Hugh Parker of Gaylord was admitted to Mercy hospital Monday for treatment.

Charles Demankowski is doing nicely at the hospital.

Mrs. L. Gibbs returned to her home in Hetherton Tuesday after being at Mercy hospital several days for treatment.

Tony Nelson was removed to his home last Friday feeling very much improved.

Dr. C. C. Curnalia brought little Lennie Nestell from Houghton Lake to Mercy hospital to undergo an operation for appendicitis, Monday.

Mrs. Charles Haight of Gaylord entered the hospital Monday for treatment.

Siro Krausno of the Stearns Lumber Co., of Sigma, was admitted to Mercy hospital yesterday for treatment.

Mrs. R. M. Roblin underwent a serious operation at Mercy hospital Tuesday morning, and at present is getting along as nicely as can be expected. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

F. R. Deckrow was admitted to Mercy hospital Tuesday morning, being seriously ill. He is improving slowly.

South Side.

Cecil Ward, of Blue Lake, spent Xmas with his brother and family.

Miss Johanna Jensen is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Ingrau, of St. Helen, spent Xmas with Roy Wolcott and family and other relatives here. They returned home Monday.

Alva Hawley, of Grace Harbor, spent Xmas with Frank Wilbur.

Fred Brown and Julius Jensen are moving their families to Newberry this week.

Frank Cochran, of Flint, spent a few days with E. R. Clark and other friends here. He returned to Flint Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leonard gave a Xmas entertainment at their home Friday evening. There was a tree and Santa Claus and everything to make a merry Xmas.

Geo. Williams spent Xmas with his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Abdella are happy over the arrival of a baby boy Xmas.

Eben LaGrow ate Xmas dinner at James Atherton's.

Mrs. E. R. Clark is sick at this writing.

D. Charron has moved into the New Russell hotel.

Miss Bell Maxson is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. LaMotte.

Memo.

School Officer's Meeting.

A meeting of the School Officers of Crawford county will be held at the Court house in Grayling on Thursday, January 13th, 1916 at 10 o'clock, a. m.

One member of each school board is entitled to two dollars and actual expenses for attending this meeting. We want a representative from every school district in the county present.

This meeting will be in charge of the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction. Topics of general interest to school officers will be discussed. Important phases of the School Law will be explained and all questions regarding same will be answered.

Commissioner of Schools,

12-23-3 JAS. A. KALAHAR.

Owes Her Good Health to Chamberlain's Tablets

"I owe my good health to Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. R. G. Neff, Crookston, Ohio. "Two years ago I was an invalid due to stomach trouble. I took three bottles of these Tablets and have since been in the best of health." Obtainable everywhere.

Laughter Aids Digestion.

Laughter is one of the most healthful exertions; it is of great help to digestion. A still more effective help is a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. If you should be troubled with indigestion give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.



A scene from "The Clemenceau Case" featuring Theda Bara, at the Opera House New Year's, Jan. 1st. Matinee at 3:30 and evening performance at 7:00 o'clock.

Correspondence

Lovells.

Edith Schreves is spending her vacation with her parents.

Mr. Parmelee and Mrs. Donally were in Lovells, Monday.

Tom Masters and daughter, Lillie, spent Christmas at their home in West Branch.

T. E. Douglas was a Grayling caller Tuesday.

Miss Socia, of Bay City, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred Rase.

Frank Wylys has moved his household goods to Atlanta and the house is now being occupied by A. Gutshak and family.

John Sunday spent the Christmas with his parents in St. Helens.

Miss Foley and sister, Gertrude are spending their Xmas vacation at their home on the main stream.

Miss Florence McCormick returned from West Branch last Thursday.

Mrs. Ira Johnson returned to her home in Vanderbilt with her husband last Thursday.

L. W. Decker spent Sunday in Gaylord.

Clyde Lee returned to his work in Detroit Tuesday, after spending the past week with relatives and friends.

Wm. Foley and daughter Margaret were in Lovells last Thursday attending the exercises given by the school children at the pavilion.

D. Shannon and E. H. Parker were Grayling callers last week.

Mrs. Lottie Coleman of Saginaw, visited her brother, Ray Owen and friends in Lovells one day this week.

C. Stillwagon spent Christmas with his parents in Bay City.

Thos. Masters caught a fine live red fox in one of his traps last week. The animal was caught by one foot, but not to injure it in any way. It is now in the possession of C. F. Underhill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bowers wish to thank the people, both in and around Lovells for their contributions to them at Christmas time.

The entertainment given by the school last Thursday night was enjoyed by a large crowd. The children all did well in their singing, recitations and their little Christmas plays. Just at the closing, Santa Claus arrived and helped to distribute the gifts he had placed on and around the beautiful Christmas tree. And as he had so many places to visit, he could stay but a short time with the little folks. So wishing all a Merry Christmas he bade them good bye until another year, when he hoped to be with them all again.

C. F. Underhill and wife were Grayling callers Monday.

R. Clarkson, wife and children spent Christmas with Mrs. Clarkson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barber of Grayling.

John Sargent, having finished the repair work on the mill, returned to West Branch Friday, where he will remain with his family until the mill starts running.

Margaret Husted and Martha Stillwagon of West Branch are spending their vacation week with relatives in Lovells.

Wellington News.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cook are spending the holidays with friends in Flint.

Mrs. Beach enjoyed Christmas visiting relatives and friends in Flint.

Mrs. Eunice Odell, who resides near Mancelona spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Fred Eastman and old friends in this section. She returned Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Elsie Mortenson is home from Flint to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mortenson.

Theodore Christofferson, who is in ill health goes to Grayling every other day for treatment.

Ralph Hanna is confined to his home with an attack of la grippe.

L. Barnaby is visiting his sister in the southern part of the state during the holidays.

Everyone, who attended the oyster supper and dance at Alton Broth's Saturday night report a most enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Parker and baby son are spending several days with Mrs. Parker's mother, Mrs. F. R. Deckrow in Gaylord.

HIS DIFFICULTY



Lazy Bill—You wrong me when you say I ain't willin' to work. I'm jes' dyin' to work.

Mr. Goode—Then, what's the trouble?

Lazy Bill—I'm too conscientious. Whenever I git a job I'm so anxious to fill it well dat I gits stage fright.

IN OLDEN TIMES



"There isn't much chance for an old man."

"That's so; it's getting so that a man can't get a job after he gets to be seven or eight hundred years old."

DRAWING ATTRACTIONS



Manager of the Bon-Tons—Got a pony ballet in your show?

Manager of the Blue Belles—No, but I've got a Percheron leading woman and a Clydesdale chorus.

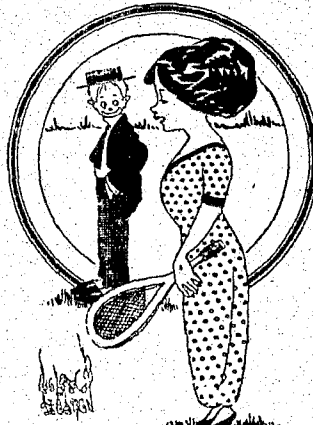
UP TO HIM



Hubby—Mary, I fear we'll have to cut down expenses.

Wife—The only points I see where we can cut down are your cigars, clothes, clubs, etc.

THIS IS A BUSINESS AGE



She—Want to be my partner?

He—How much capital can you put in?

To the Public.

We find that some one has wilfully cut down several evergreen trees in the park near the hatchery, and this is to notify all trespassers destroying or mutilating any more trees or shrubbery that any further acts of this kind will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. And we hereby offer a reward of \$10.00 for evidence leading to a conviction.

GRAYLING FISH HATCHERY CLUB, 12-30-2 P. G. Zalsman, Supt.

We Thank You

We desire to extend our thanks to the public for the generous patronage with which we have been favored the past year. Considering the business depression that has been prevalent throughout the country, we feel that our friends have favored us beyond our anticipations or even our hopes. We are indeed more than grateful to you all.

During the coming year we will endeavor to serve you in the same faithful and conscientious manner that has been our policy throughout our business career, and we respectfully solicit a continuance of your confidence and support.

And now let us wish you and yours a prosperous year in 1916, with health and happiness in unlimited measure.

Salling, Hanson Co.

The Pioneer Store

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cents. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

WANTED—A place to work for board by girl going to school. Phone this office, or inquire of Henrietta Stepanhan. 1wk.

HOUSEWORK—Young lady wants position. Good experience. Inquire at Avalanche office.

FOR SALE—Five pure bred spotted Shetland ponies for sale cheap. Write Bert Morgan, Petoskey, Mich. 12-30-2

FOR RENT—Three pleasant rooms. Phone 1023. Mrs. Tom Shaw. 12-30-2

FOR RENT—Two suites of light housekeeping rooms at Peter Michelson's residence. 12-16-2

FOR SALE—A beautiful large oak china closet, a new oak buffet and a piano in good tune. Can be seen at my home. Victor Salling. 12-16-2

LOST—A sterling silver link bracelet. Finder please phone Miss Eleanor Schumann at 462, or phone the Avalanche office.

POCKETBOOK—Left at Lewis' Drug store latter part of November. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice. A. M. Lewis. 12-9-3

WANTED—10,000 ladies and gentlemen to call at our store and purchase their Christmas and New Year post cards. Prices range from 1 cent to 20 cents. Sorenson Bros. 12-2-2f

Why You Should Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Because it has an established reputation won by its good works.

Because it is most esteemed by those who have used it for many years, as occasion required, and are best acquainted with its good qualities.

Because it loosens and relieves a cold and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition.

Because it does not contain opium or any other narcotic.

Because it is within the reach of all. It only costs a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.

Have Your Wall Paper Cleaned

\$1.00 a Room and up

Now is the time to get your wall paper cleaned so that your walls will be clean and neat for the holidays. We clean your wall paper for a dollar a room and up, according to the size of the room. Calcimine wall also.

Conrad Sorenson

Phone 613

To our faithful old friends, and our cherished new friends, and to those whose friendship we strive to deserve, we tender this

Greeting

May the New Year be a prosperous and happy one; may joy and recompense come to you, and may it be our privilege to serve you during the coming year.

Madel Bakery and Grocery

Thos. Cassidy, Prop'r.

WE ARE GRATEFUL

Just a Word to You

We desire to extend to you, the public, our thanks for the generous support you have given us during the year 1915, and to express the hope that you will remain with us during the coming year. It is not possible for us to express in cold type the gratitude we feel, but we can and will let our actions in future speak even louder and more practically than our words.

We extend to you all the compliments of the season. May the new year bring you your heart's best desires.

A. M. LEWIS
DRUGGIST

Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 30

Local News

Happy New Year!
And a prosperous year!
And even a peaceful one!
And we hope we get 'em all.
A prosperous year to us, too, by Jimminy.

You'll soon be writing it 1916—unless you forget.

America has its troubles as well as Europe. Congress again!

Mrs. J. J. Love and little daughter are visiting in Manistee.

President Wilson wants us "to be Americans." So do we!

Alf. Rasmussen of Detroit, who has spent the past week the guest of friends here returned home yesterday.

Einar Rasmussen spent a couple of days of last week in Bay City on business.

Miss Helen Ruth left this morning for her home in Red Oak to visit over New Years.

The wise man spends a little and saves a lot, and that's an evidence of his wisdom.

Miss Rae Joseph of Detroit, was a guest at the home of her brother, Abe Joseph, over Christmas.

Arthur Nelson of Saginaw arrived Friday and is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Andrew Anderson for several days.

Alfred Larson of Johannesburg is spending the holidays with relatives and friends here.

Fire insurance is too cheap to be without. Why are you so negligent?

GEO. L. ALEXANDER & SON.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Canfield, are enjoying a visit from the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller, of Gladwin.

Lorne Douglas of Johannesburg, who is attending the U. of M. is spending a part of his holiday vacation with friends here.

Close Photo Co., have a few more of those \$4.00 per dozen photographs which they will make for \$1.98 while they last. Hurry.

Miss Bernadette Cassidy left today for Midland to visit relatives until Monday, when she will resume her studies at Ferris Institute, Big Rapids.

W. S. Chalke of Maple Forest, who has been quite seriously ill with asthma and la grippe was in town Monday for the first time in two months. He is recovering nicely again.

Crawford County grange No. 934, will give an oyster dinner to its members and families on January 15th 1916 at G. A. R. hall. Bill 10 cents each.

12-30-2 Henry Stephen, Sec'y.

One clerk with a smile is worth fifty with a scowl.

Burdie Parsons spent Christmas at his home in Bay City.

Lee Ford of Detroit visited friends in this city last Sunday.

A good word is like a gold nugget; its value never grows less.

Emil Giegling left Friday to visit at his home in Manistee over Christmas.

John Brady and children are spending the holidays with relatives in Cheboygan.

Irving Hodge and sister, Blanche of Atlanta spent Christmas here with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Harlow Sorenson left Friday to visit her parents, who reside near Cadillac, over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCullough entertained their son, Will and wife of Detroit over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert DeFrain and children spent Christmas in Cheboygan visiting the latter's parents.

When a man puts his property in his wife's name, other people begin to wonder who it really belongs to.

Mrs. J. M. Reagan and granddaughter Miss Margaret Insley spent last Friday with friends in Bay City.

Mrs. O. W. Roeser and sons, Will and Waldemar, are visiting relatives and friends in Bay City and Saginaw.

Roy Lewis of Mio visited friends here Tuesday enroute, from Ferris Institute, Big Rapids to his home to spend New Years.

A New Years resolution. Resolved that I will have my eyes attended to at the very first opportunity by C. J. Hathaway, Optometrist.

Never belittle the importance of the newspaper which delivers your daily paper every day. He may be a bigger man than you in later life.

Miss Anna Brown enjoyed a few days vacation from her duties at the Model bakery, to visit with her sister, Miss Edna Brown of Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Waggoner and children of Onaway, were guests over Christmas of Mrs. Waggoner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Peterson.

All who attended "The Nigger," at the Opera house Christmas night report it as being fine. It was a five reel picture and featured William Farnum. The Opera house was crowded at both performances.

Mr. and Mrs. Seeley Wakely and children of Camp Romeo left the latter part of last week to spend Christmas at West Branch. The former returned Monday, but Mrs. Wakely and children remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Meistrup and little daughter arrived last week from Lansing to spend Christmas visiting the former's mother, Mrs. A. Meistrup and the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Salling. Mr. Meistrup returned to Lansing Monday, but Mrs. Meistrup expects to remain until the last of the week.

The man who pays his bills never gets a dun.

A wise man controls his anger. Further comment is superfluous.

Lee Place of Detroit was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Borchers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Horan returned Monday evening from Bay City, where they had spent Christmas with relatives.

Martin and Ernest Anderson of Johannesburg passed thru here Friday on their way to spend Christmas in Manistee.

Mrs. Adam Gierke and daughter, Beatrice left for Bay City, Monday morning, the former returning the same day.

Andrew Carnegie has given away \$350,000,000 and is rapidly approaching the poverty stage. He has but \$60,000,000 left.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bradley of Detroit were guests of Mrs. Bradley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tromble over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Heric are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Harry Shoemaker and family at Trout Lake during the holidays.

Miss Margaret Felling arrived Monday from Saginaw to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Felling and brothers and sisters.

When a man has a few dollars his friends term him a financier. When he goes broke he is just a mortal and his friends melt away.

Editor James Ballard, of Tawas City, stopped over to visit his sister in Grayling Monday, while enroute home from the western part of the state.

The Misses Bernadette Cassidy and Elsie Jorgenson came home from Ferris Institute last Friday to enjoy the holiday vacation at their home here.

Nemesius Nielsen returned home from Jackson Tuesday, where he had the contract for decorating a theatre. Alfred Jorgenson, who accompanied him, also has returned.

Mrs. J. C. Burton returned last Saturday from Bay City, where she had been on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Sarah Phelps. She left Mrs. Phelps very much improved.

Mrs. Ed. Keiser of Garnaaville, Iowa and Miss Lillian Ponsar of Flint were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell Friday, enroute to Lewiston to spend Christmas.

Miss Agnes Hanson of Mt. Pleasant accompanied by Mr. Campbell also of Mt. Pleasant were guests of Miss Hanson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanson of this city over Christmas.

The marriage of Miss Leona Ridge of Lovells to Mr. Nathan Smith of Detroit occurred at the latter place on Saturday, December 11th. The former resided here for a year or more.

Nat Goodwin in "The Master Hand" a five reel feature, will be presented at the Opera house next Sunday evening. Nat Goodwin is one of America's best known actors. Don't miss seeing him.

Misses Lillian Bates and Lillie Fischer, who teach in the primary departments of the Vanderbilt and Johannesburg schools respectively, are spending the holiday vacation at their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann and children spent Christmas at the former's old home in Hastings. Mr. Schumann returned to Grayling Monday. The others will remain until some time next week.

Francis Reagan and Miss Alta Reagan, both of Detroit arrived on an early train Christmas morning to enjoy the Christmas festivities with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Reagan. Miss Reagan has charge of the Poor Commission work in Detroit.

We wish to specially thank the public for the splendid Holiday business afforded us, and also to state that in our prescription department we are prepared to give the highest class of service. The quality of our drugs is the highest obtainable. A. M. Lewis, druggist.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Weldon H. Warren of Skagway, Alaska, a fine son last Sunday morning, at Mercy hospital, December 26th. Mrs. Warren is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tromble, and for the past couple of months with her little daughter, Margaret has been visiting her parents.

Wm. Shellenbarger, who resided on the south branch of the AnSable, had the misfortune of burning out the 22nd. The family lost everything they had. Seeley Wakely has a petition going around to help them. Any one having anything to give them will be appreciated—money, food, or clothing.

The oyster supper and dance given at the home of Alton Brott Christmas night, was considered by the residents of Beaver Creek as being one of the most enjoyable ones ever held out there. Music being furnished by Mrs. Wm. Millikin and Mr. Lane. A sumptuous oyster supper prepared by Mrs. Ronspies and Mrs. Brott was served late in the evening. At midnight the party broke up and everyone was reluctant to leave.

The fourth annual New Year ball of the Loyal Order of Moose will be held at the Temple theatre Saturday evening, January 1st. The decorating committee intend to have the ball room trimmed with the colors of the Lodge and are planning some novel features. This is in charge of Harry Simpson, chairman. The supper will be served at the new cafe of Hodge and King, which will be opened to the public for the first time upon this occasion. The party bids fair to eclipsing all former efforts. Music will be furnished by Clark's orchestra.

We are about to discard our 1915 for a "six."

The fellow who is too lazy to work may be a man, but—

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welsh and baby spent Christmas in Reed City.

Alfred Jacobsen of Detroit was a guest at the Peter Nelson home over Christmas.

The man of brains never needs to advertise the fact. Imitators make a big noise.

Miss Agusta Krans of Birch Run is spending the holidays with her mother Mrs. A. Krans.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Atwood Whitaker spent Christmas with the former's parents at West Branch.

Axel Jorgenson of Detroit arrived last Friday and is spending the holidays at his home here.

The County Board of supervisors will meet Monday, January 3rd for transaction of business.

Mose Blodin of Cheboygan visited his sister, Mrs. Daniel Hoesli and sister, Blanche over Christmas.

Miss Edna Brown of Saginaw spent Christmas here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Brown.

Harvey Burrows and brother, Arthur of Flint visited their mother and other relatives here Christmas day.

Leslie McMahon, who has been employed in Detroit for the past couple of months spent Christmas at his home here.

Sorenson Brothers announce that there will be no more "Green trading stamps" issued at their store after January 1st.

Hans Chistianson and friend Eror Erickson of Detroit are spending the holiday season with relatives and friends here.

Victor Petersen returned to Detroit Saturday night after spending Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans. Petersen.

Howard Sachs of Detroit visited his mother, Mrs. F. A. Echenfels and his sister, over Christmas returning to Detroit Monday afternoon.

Taxes are now due and the rolls for the collection of state and county taxes are now at the Bank of Grayling, ready to receive payments.

Peter Michelson and grand daughter, Miss Doris Wilson spent Christmas in Detroit, with the former's daughter Miss Cora Michelson.

Ladies' and gentlemen's clothing cleaned, pressed and all kinds of alterations. Also furs remodeled. Next to G. A. R. hall. M. Weingard, Tailor.

Miss Mollie Johnson of Saginaw visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Johnson over Christmas. Clarence Johnson of Bay City also spent Christmas at his home.

Walter Hanson spent Christmas with relatives and friends here, arriving Friday night unexpectedly. He returned Sunday night to Detroit to resume his work.

See Theda Bara, star of "A Fool There Was" in "The Clemenceau Case," at the Opera house New Year's afternoon. Matinee at 3:30 o'clock, evening performance 7:00 o'clock.

Floyd McLain, spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose McLain. He has a good position in Detroit, being employed as salesman at the J. L. Hudson store in that city.

Miss Ingeborg Christofferson arrived from Detroit Friday to enjoy Christmas with her parents, who reside at Beaver Creek. She will remain at home for the present on account of the ill health of her father.

Mrs. Clara McLeod entertained the following of her family over Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodbury and children of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Leo White of Adrian, Mr. and Mrs. Lee White and little son and Mrs. A. Purcell of Royal Oak.

D. W. Donohue, who has been occupying the position of trainmaster of the Michigan Central Mackinaw division, with offices at this city, left today for Detroit to assume the superintendency of the Detroit-Jackson and Detroit-Bay City divisions. He will be succeeded locally by F. H. Manix of Bay City.

Considerable trouble seems to have been encountered with the new fire alarm system and is quite annoying, in fact a serious matter. Before turning in alarms people should investigate and fully assure themselves that there is cause for an alarm, and not jump to conclusions. False alarms are expensive, costing the village about \$20 each time the fire department is called out. Further when an alarm is telephoned to the pumping station, the person giving the alarm, or some other reliable person should be on hand to direct the firemen to the burning building. Arrangements should be made that are positive, with no chance of a moment's delay anywhere along the line, for getting the department out in the least possible time. This matter should be remedied even at additional cost, if necessary, for no property owner cares to take chances on fires. No matter where the trouble may be, we believe we voice the sentiments of the people of Grayling when we say, get it righted. If this is done and the people exercise proper care, everything should be all right.

Trappers

I will buy your raw furs and pay the best market price.

CHAS. FEHR.

Greetings of the Season

and Thanks for Your Patronage

Greetings of the season and best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1916 to you all! And may you have many such in the years to come.

We thank you sincerely for the liberal patronage we have received during the past twelve months. You have been generous indeed, which is the best of all evidence that the home store is nearest of all stores to your heart.

We have endeavored at all times to serve you conscientiously and acceptably in the past and the future will see us putting forth even greater efforts to this end. We hope to see you all throughout the new year, which we trust is to be one of many blessings to our people.

Again, hearty greetings from the management and clerks of this store.

The Grayling Mercantile Co.

The Quality Store

We Greet You With Thanks

GREETINGS of the new year to you all! May it bring you the best in the land and that which you desire most of all things.

We give you our warmest thanks for the patronage you have extended us in such liberal portions, with the full assurance that no pains will be spared in the coming year to warrant a continuance of your friendship and support.

Again We Greet and Thank You

Sorenson Bros.

The Home of Dependable Furniture

Winter Fires Destroy Many Homes

We insure all kinds of city and farm property. Our companies are among the most substantial in the whole country. Our losses are paid promptly and without haggling or quibbling.

O. PALMER, Grayling, Mich.

New Year's Greetings

We wish all our friends and customers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

DeWAELE & SON
GROCERS

The Home of Good Things to Eat

PROSECUTORS IN STATE MEETING

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON CRIMINAL PRACTICE UNDER CONSIDERATION.

SESSIONS IN THE CAPITOL

Committee of Bar Association and From Police Chiefs and Sheriffs Are Assisting in Discussion of Questions.

Lansing—Constructive legislation for criminal practice will be the general subject of the annual meeting of the Michigan State Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, in session in the senate chamber of the capitol in Lansing, December 29 and 30.

This subject has received considerable attention from the state bar association, and the Association of Police Chiefs, Sheriffs and Prosecuting Attorneys. A committee from the bar association, now considering this question, is attending the state meeting. B. J. Vincent, prosecuting attorney of Saginaw county, has prepared the program for the state meeting as follows:

December 29—President's address, Bird J. Vincent, Saginaw.

Simplifying Indictments and Informations, Abolishing the Necessity of Allegations of Exception, etc., Frank L. Doty, Pontiac.

Prosecutor's Right to Comment on Failure of Respondent to Testify, Harris E. Galpin, Muskegon.

Evening—Banquet.

December 30, 9:30 a. m.—Requiring Respondent to Fairly Present All Technical Objections to the Proceedings Before Being Placed in Jeopardy, Ray Hart, Midland.

Depositions by the People, Frank F. Ford, Kalamazoo.

Arrest Without a Warrant, a More Definite Statement of Extension of, and the Right of Such Arrests, Thos. J. Green, Soo.

Business meeting, election of officers, etc.

CAPTOR OF JEFF DAVIS DEAD

Corunna Man With Unique War Record Passes Away Friday.

Corunna—Lewis A. Wilcox, civil war veteran and for 20 years in the government service at Washington, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Pettibone, here Friday night.

Mr. Wilcox, who was 77 years old, was a member of Company B, fourth Michigan cavalry, and was one of the men detailed to capture Jefferson Davis. He with Corporal Charles F. Parker, of Owosso, captured John H. Regan, who was postmaster-general of the Confederacy.

Mr. Wilcox was a close friend of William P. Steadman, of Owosso, and also connected with the government service at Washington, who died a few weeks ago. It is believed that the death of Mr. Steadman hastened Mr. Wilcox's end.

New Electric Power Company.

Adrian—A new company called the Southern Michigan Light & Power Co. has been organized, taking over the property of the Hudson Light & Power Co. and the Morenci & Fayette Light Co. The plan of the company is to extend its power transmission lines to other towns and villages in southern Michigan and northern Ohio.

The officers and directors are President George F. Avis; vice president, Oron Howes; secretary, F. D. Avis; treasurer, C. J. Avis. All are residents of Hudson, where the principal offices of the company will be located.

Muskegon Strike Is Settled.

Lansing—State Mediator Frank L. Dodge announced that through his department a strike at the Muskegon Motor Specialty company's works at Muskegon had been settled. The strike had been on since October. The men were mostly members of the International Machinists' union.

According to Mr. Dodge, the men return to work at practically the old basis.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS

Morris Atwood, Blenden township farmer, convicted of manslaughter last January, in connection with the death of his secretly wedded wife, Zelma Louing Atwood, has been denied a new trial by the supreme court, and will be sentenced soon in the circuit court at Grand Haven. Mrs. Atwood's body was found hanging to a tree near her home.

Flint authorities have been unable to identify the body of a man who was killed by a switch engine in the Grand Trunk yards Saturday night. Three bottles of whisky were found and he is believed to have gone to sleep on the tracks.

Fifteen members of forestry classes at M. A. C. have left for the West Virginia woods, where they will spend the holiday vacation studying the southern forests under the direction of Professor A. K. Chittenden of the forestry department at the East Lansing institution.

Three bicycles, toys, suit cases, jewelry and hardware were found in a room in the tower of the federal building in Kalamazoo by officers investigating thefts from local stores. Two boys, 10 and 12 years old, are accused.

The Knights of Pythias and Pythian sisters, of Greenville repeated their annual custom of giving a Christmas tree and dinner to the poor children of Greenville. One hundred and twenty-seven boys and girls have been clothed and every girl received a doll and every boy a sled.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Henry Helm, member of the state board of druggists, is dead.

Attempting to split a dynamite cap with an ax, Ben Price, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Price, of Inverness township, was badly injured Monday.

Muskegon must pay \$1,815 damages to the widow of a former city employee as the result of the supreme court decision placing municipalities under the workman's compensation act.

The largest sum of money for 1918 automobile licenses received thus far came last week from the Detroit Edison Co. The request for the new tags was accompanied by a check for \$1,685.30.

The appeal of the city of Detroit for taxes for the year 1913, paid under protest by St. Joseph's Episcopal church, was granted by the supreme court and the action of the court below reversed.

Four Flint men, John Roney, Mike Eyanoff, William Cascades and John Russell, have been sentenced to a total of 210 days in Detroit house of correction on conviction of violating the local option law.

Petitions are being circulated in Boyne City to have all business places closed on Sunday, following granting of requests of church people that card playing and punchboards be ordered out by county officials.

Sixty members of the Girls' Glee club of University of Michigan, gathered as monks, sang Christmas carols outside the homes of Dr. Harry B. Hutchins, president, and other members of the Michigan faculty.

State Highway Commissioner Frank Rogers is asking support for a law in congress providing for a federal appropriation of \$25,000,000 for roads. The law was drafted by the American Association of State Highway Officials.

Governor Ferris has rewarded with a parole Charles Smith, who saved Jackson prison from probable destruction by fire. Smith was attacked and seriously cut by Daniel Sutton, an Ingham convict, who is alleged to have started the fire.

Seventy-five farmers of Parma and Sandstone townships met in Parma and discussed a proposal to hold an annual stock sale or series of sales in Jackson. The sentiment was distinctly in favor of an organization being formed for this purpose.

Alger county, which voted on local option last April, will remain wet another year. The first count gave the drys two majority. A recount reversed the majority into the wet column. The circuit judge upheld the board of canvassers and the supreme court has affirmed the lower court.

Chemists at the laboratory of the Dow Chemical company at Midland have developed a process for making indigo blue dye. This week a half-ton shipment was sent to the Pacific mills, at Lawrence, Mass. This is believed the first manufacture of this dye on a commercial scale in this country.

Gladwin county road commissioners, Midland county officials and representatives of the Tittabawassee power interests met with the state highway commissioner in regard to a dispute over the route of a road which could run through the site of a proposed dam. After a stormy session it was voted to make a detour of the road.

Paid for chiefly by penny contributions by the 7,000 school children of Jackson, a \$125 diamond ring was Christmas morning presented to Edward Page Cummings, city superintendent of schools, who shot himself accidentally some days ago while cleaning his shotgun. The physicians have pronounced Mr. Cummings out of danger.

Michigan Central railroad has spent \$30,000 in the last few weeks enlarging the track facilities of the Jackson yards. The action was taken after the traffic committee of the Chamber of Commerce represented to officials that the yard facilities were insufficient to take care of the freight and local manufacturers were complaining.

A jury in circuit court, after being out five hours, awarded a judgment for \$15,000 to Miss Lillian Boyle, of Leslie, Mich., who was injured about two years ago at Thompson, Mich., a junction point of the Pere Marquette and Ann Arbor railroads, while changing trains at that place. The verdict is the result of a joint suit for \$25,000 against both railroads.

James R. Henry, of Indianapolis, appears to be the latest victim of "Charles Ross," known by name only, to Felix H. Flynn, county clerk, as a land shark. Henry's inquiry about "land" he "bought" in Liberty township, is the eleventh Mr. Flynn has received since he has been clerk and each time "Ross" has been the seller. Henry is said to have exchanged \$500 cash and city property for the tree "farm."

John Kusik, an employee of the Owosso Sugar Co., was hurled 30 feet when his wagon was struck by an Ann Arbor motor car. Kusik's only complaint was that he was late for work. He was dazed, but soon hurried to leave the factory, leading his horse.

Lester Thompson, who is alleged to have eloped with his tutor in detective work, Mrs. Edith Cross, of Jackson, is under arrest in Fort Wayne, Ind., on the charge of grand larceny. He is accused of taking several articles belonging to John Cross, her husband.

Earl Brookshire, 20 years old, out after rabbits near Mancelona, crawled over a snow-drifted fence, pushing his gun ahead of him, the muzzle close to the body. His friend, Frederick Smith heard the report. Brookshire's heart was literally shot out of his body.

Carrie Jones, 19 years old, and Ada Snyder, 20 years old, who came to Grand Rapids from Detroit two weeks ago, have confessed, say the police, to much shoplifting in Grand Rapids. They were arrested in a store by a detective and fought the officer desperately.

SEVEN DEATHS IN NEW YORK STORM

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING MIX WITH SNOW AND RAIN AND GALE.

CONTINUES THROUGH DAY

Great Property Damage Is Suffered In And About Metropolis by Reason of Ninety-Mile Gale of Wind.

New York—One of the weirdest storms the east has seen in many years—rain, hail and snow accompanied by thunder and lightning and a gale that reached a maximum velocity of 80 miles an hour—descended from the northwest early Sunday as the aftermath of a Christmas fog.

It indirectly caused seven deaths in this city carried down telegraph wires, damaged shipping, crippled railroad traffic and other considerable property damage.

The phenomenon of thunder and lightning in the midst of a driving snow awakened New Yorkers at the height of the storm about 7 o'clock Sunday morning. A gale from the south accompanied by rain had been blowing during the night, but the temperature dropped during the early morning hours, changing the rain to hail and then to snow. The local weather bureau reported a total precipitation of 5.2 inches, of which 2.8 was snow.

The wind shifted to the northwest and increased in violence, reaching its 90-mile intensity at 9 o'clock and soon after carrying off the storm clouds.

The gale continued, however, throughout the day, blowing in hundreds of plate glass windows, hurling signs and copings to the streets, and demolishing several partly built structures.

The storm had its center in Massachusetts, the weather bureau reported, and the telegraph companies said their service in New England had been badly crippled, although communication had not been entirely lost with the principal cities. Several of the land lines of the cable companies between New York and Nova Scotia were put out of business.

BRITISH LOSS IS 112,921

Entire List of Men Killed and Wounded at Dardanelles.

London—Great Britain's loss of officers and men at the Dardanelles up to December 11 was 112,921.

This is the grand total of officers and men, including the naval lists, of killed, wounded and missing. The number killed was 25,278. In addition to the total of casualties, the number of sick admitted to hospitals was 96,683.

The losses were distributed as follows:

Killed: Officers, 1,609; men, 23,670.

Wounded: Officers, 2,969; men, 72,222.

Missing: Officers, 337; men, 12,114.

In the house of commons this afternoon Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war, declined publicly to give the names of officers relieved from commands in connection with the landing of British troops at Suvla Bay, on the Gallipoli peninsula.

It was suggested that the names were public property. Mr. Tennant replied that if this were so an announcement would be more punitive than informative. He denied a report that one officer had been cashiered.

YUAN TO HAVE OPPOSITION

Revolutionary Party Is Organized to Uphold Republic.

San Francisco—On organized revolutionary party to be known as "the punitive expedition against Yuan Shi Kai" has been organized in China for the purpose of upholding the republic, according to a cablegram received here Sunday from Tong Kung Chong, president of the Chee Kung Tong (Chinese republic association).

It was from Tong Kung Chong's headquarters at Shanghai, China, that first news came of the reported revolt in Yunnan and other Chinese provinces.

According to the cablegram, the organization has three objects: Upholding the republic of China; restoration of constitutional parliament and safeguarding all the rights of the Chinese people; and the affording of protection to all foreigners and their interests.

Henry Beach, of Hamilton, 75 years old, went out hunting, and when he failed to return search was started. It was found that he had died of heart failure in the woods.

An epidemic of grip is raging in Port Huron and in the surrounding territory. Many schools are practically closed because of the number of pupils confined to their homes with the disease. In one school of this city there are 193 pupils absent, while two of the teachers have been taken ill with the grip.

Lawrence Jankowia, convicted in Bay City, of felonious assault upon a young woman, was sentenced Monday to from 10 to 20 years in Jackson. He was out on parole for forgery and had 11 years to serve when released.

A Grand Rapids boy, seven years old, son of Henry Sierveid, found an old revolver in a dresser drawer, and pointing it at his father, pulled the trigger. The bullet entered the back of Sierveid's head and he is now in a dying condition in a hospital. "Daddy, see what I found," the lad said as he fired.

SAID TO BE STARTING NEW MEXICAN REVOLUTION



GENERAL OBREGON.

Washington—It became known here Monday that the United States government has secret information of a new revolutionary outbreak in Mexico and that the president and his advisers are greatly disturbed. The information is understood to be to the effect that Gen. Obregon is at the head of the new movement which has for its object the ousting of the Carranza government.

SUBMARINE SINKS JAP LINER

Great Liner Was On Its Way From London to Japan With 120 Passengers and Crew of 160 Aboard.

Tokio—Great excitement prevailed here Tuesday following the receipt of news that the new Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, bound from London for Japan, had been sunk in the Mediterranean.

There was an uproar from the people as the news spread throughout the city.

The Yasaka Maru is said to have carried 25,000,000 yen (about \$12,500,000) in Japanese gold. The insurance on the vessel amounts to 5,600,000 yen.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, owners of the Yasaka Maru, are discussing the feasibility of abandoning the Suez canal route for future sailings of their vessels in favor of a route around the Cape of Good Hope.

Advices received by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha state that the Yasaka Maru was torpedoed without warning and that she sank in 49 minutes. This occurred in the afternoon of Tuesday, and it was midnight when the passengers and crew were rescued by the French gunboat.

The new Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, which was sunk in the eastern Mediterranean Tuesday by a submarine, while the steamer was on her way from London to Japan with 120 passengers and a crew of 160 aboard, was sent to the bottom without warning, according to a report received from Port Said from the agents of the owners.

All of those on board the ship, including one American passenger, W. J. Leigh, were saved. The nationality of the submarine is not mentioned by the agents and previous reports referred to the sinking of the ship as done by either an Austrian or a German submarine.

The Yasaka Maru was sunk Tuesday afternoon. A French gunboat picked up the passengers and crew at midnight and landed them at Port Said Wednesday morning. The company provided hotel accommodations for them and is arranging to forward them to their destinations. The passenger list were 51 men, 54 women and 15 children, most of whom were British subjects. The agents in their report say further:

W. J. Leigh is an American citizen, born in China. His father was a Californian.

Mr. Leigh has spent most of his life in China, but recently has lived in England. He was returning to China on the Yasaka Maru to take a position with a business house. His family is in London. Mrs. Leigh has received a cable message saying her husband is safe.

NEWS BRIEFS.

The new \$450,000 Masonic temple in Grand Rapids will be dedicated February 3. The work will be completed January 15, when the furnishing will be started. Grand Master George L. Lusk, of Bay City, will dedicate the building.

Bay City schools will be closed after the holidays until a majority of the 18 teachers and a few hundred pupils, as well as Frank A. Gause, superintendent, recover from the grip.

Otto Rolin, deputy state game warden, Ypsilanti, wept as he appeared in justice court in support of a warrant for his brother, Charles Rolin, which he had signed. Charles declared he was not angered by his brother's action, as he realized Otto was merely doing his duty. He paid \$10 fine and \$3.70 costs for violating the fish laws.

Henry Nibelink, Wyoming township, in his will, disinherited his four daughters, saying they displeased him during his lifetime. He gave them \$5 each out of a \$50,000 estate. The widow and seven sons will divide the estate.

The body of Charles Phillips, of Sturgis, who went hunting and failed to return, was found in the river after the place where he had broken through the ice had been located. Thomas Phillips, a brother, was drowned while fishing at the same place a year ago.

FRENCH STEAMER IS TORPEDOED

SUNK IN MEDITERRANEAN WITHOUT WARNING IS CLAIM OF PARIS.

NO AMERICANS ARE ON BOARD

Majority of Passengers and Crew Are Picked Up By English Ship After Submarine Sinks Big Vessel.

Paris—The French steamer Ville de La Ciotat, with many passengers on board, was torpedoed without warning and sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine December 24, the ministry of marine announced Monday. Many of the passengers and members of the crew were lost.

The statement follows:

"The steamer Ville de La Ciotat was torpedoed and sunk on the twenty-fourth in the Mediterranean by an enemy submarine, without warning. A majority of the passengers and crew were picked up by an English steamer. Details have not been received."

The Ville de La Ciotat was returning from the far east and was due to arrive at Marseilles Monday. The survivors were taken to Malta, arriving there Sunday morning. There were no Americans on board.

BIG BRITISH SHIP IS SUNK

Arlanza Goes Down Off Port of Archangel Says Report.

New York—The big British liner Arlanza was sunk off the Russian port of Archangel, probably by a floating mine, December 10, according to authoritative information reaching shipping circles here Monday.

The news is said to have been suppressed by the British censor, for fear that neutral ship owners might become alarmed at the possible danger in Russian waters.

Excepting the Lusitania and the Arabic, the Arlanza is the largest steamer sunk by mines or submarines since the beginning of the war. She was owned by the Royal Mail Packet Co., displaced 15,044 tons and was 570 feet in length. She was built in 1912, and, it is believed here, was commandeered by the British government at the outbreak of the war.

SON OF MRS. EDDY IS DEAD

Geo. W. Glover Was Not Scientist and Sued for Portion of Mother's Estate.

Sioux City, Ia.—George W. Glover, 72 years old, only son of the late Mrs. Baker Glover Eddy, founder of Christian Science, died Monday at his home in the Black Hills near Lead, S. D.

Glover attracted national attention before the death of Mrs. Eddy, by instituting a suit in Massachusetts to obtain a portion of his mother's fortune.

He was awarded about \$250,000 after her death. He was not a Christian Scientist.

ARMY OF 4,000,000.

London—After a night of the most heated war debate in months, the house of commons at 5:30 a. m., agreed to pass the government bill, calling 1,000,000 more Britishers to the colors.

Adoption of the measure puts in the field the greatest British army in history, its number estimated at about 4,000,000. With these millions the government hopes to strike for decisive victories in every theatre of war and end the conflict within another year.

To Investigate Petrol Raise.

Washington—Officials of the department of justice said Monday night that the continued rise in the price of gasoline probably would be made the subject of an inquiry to determine whether there had been any violation of the Sherman anti-trust act. No formal complaints have reached Washington so far, but attorneys connected with anti-trust prosecutions expressed the view that an investigation could be begun on the department's own initiative.

TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

Governor Ferris has issued requisition papers for Burrell Scofield, of Owosso, who is held at Dixon, Ill. Scofield is charged with deserting his two children in Corunna, and is fighting extradition.

London—The British treasury has advanced £200,000,000 to British firms to enable them to meet their obligations during the early days of the war.

Berlin—The movement for an increase of taxation by the German states has begun with Baden, where the diet has just passed a bill increasing the income tax 20 per cent on incomes above 2,400 marks.

Marseilles—Eighteen million francs, constituting the Serbian treasury, have arrived here on the way to Paris.

Paris—According to a dispatch to the Messagero from Malta, forwarded by the Havas correspondent at Rome, an Austrian submarine has been captured by two torpedo boats, presumably Italian.

Syracuse, N. Y.—Thirty persons were injured, some probably mortally, when an interurban car, running wild after the motorman had fallen out on a sharp curve, left the rails and struck a tree. Of 100 passengers aboard the car the majority was workmen.

LANSING NOTES

Court Decisions.

Through a decision rendered by the supreme court the city of Grand Haven and the state board of review has registered an important victory in the taxation of local property.

In April, 1914, G. J. Hilderink, a supervisor and assessing officer of Grand Haven assessed the real estate of the Story & Clark Piano company at \$72,000 and the personal property at \$59,000. The state board of review increased the valuation of each to \$100,000 and an appeal to the Ottawa circuit court resulted in a decision in favor of the state and county assessing officers.

In its appeal to the supreme court the company, which is a foreign corporation, set forth that the state board of review did not keep a suitable record of its proceedings and that its actions were therefore void. It was also alleged that the valuations were excessive and that the supervisors and the state board of review had omitted \$100,000 in assessable property in household goods owned in the city.

The supreme court in its decision holds that the records were properly kept and that the company failed to produce adequate evidence to warrant a reduction. "We are not satisfied that any considerable amount of property liable to taxation was omitted from the rolls in Grand Haven," says the court in conclusion.

In another opinion the court affirmed the decision of the Saginaw circuit in the case of Frederick Speigel vs. James Barrett, drain commissioner of Saginaw county and Alonzo Griffin, drain commissioner of Shiawassee county. Speigel was a contractor engaged in drain construction work and the court holds that action cannot be brought against the commissioners in their official capacity.

The court reversed the case from Bay county in which John E. Henry obtained a judgment of \$1,100 against the Michigan Central for injuries to his son.

A judgment of \$250 obtained by Emily F. Gangrick of Montague against Mary E. Anderson for assault was affirmed by the court, and a favorable decision was rendered in the case of St. Joseph's Episcopal church of Detroit which brought action to prevent the city of Detroit from levying taxes on a vacant lot owned by the church.

Feed the Quail.

The state of Michigan has gone into the bird-feeding business, as part of the plan on game conservation which has been taken up lately by the public domain commission, and orders have gone out to the deputy game commissioners throughout the state to see to it that the quail are properly fed this winter.

David R. Jones, special assistant to Game Commissioner William R. Oates, sent out the following letter to the deputies throughout the state, urging their co-operation and the co-operation of farmers:

"The campaign to save quail and prairie chicken should be actively taken up at once, and you are requested to interview as many farmers as possible at their homes and in towns and villages, with a view to enlisting their co-operation in this work."

IF BACK HURTS USE SALTS FOR KIDNEYS

Eat less meat if kidneys feel like lead or bladder bothers you—Meat forms uric acid.

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the loins region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is harmless; inexpensive; makes a delicious effervescent lithia water drink which everybody should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean, thus avoiding serious complications.

A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.

COMB SAGE TEA IN LIFELESS, GRAY HAIR

Look young! Common garden Sage and Sulphur dyes so naturally nobody can tell.

Grandmother kept her hair beautifully darkened, glossy and abundant with a brew of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Whenever her hair fell out or took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect. By taking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this old-time recipe, ready to use, for about 50 cents. This simple mixture can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair and is splendid for dandruff, dry, itchy scalp and falling hair.

A well-known downtown druggist says everybody uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur, because it dyes so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied—it's so easy to use, too. You simply dampen a comb or soft brush and draw it through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two, it is restored to its natural color and looks glossy, soft and abundant.

A POSTAL CARD

TO THE Discriminating PUBLIC

Hotel Griswold

DETROIT

Hereafter every day will be bargain day at The Hotel Griswold. We have reduced the price of rooms from \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, and \$3.00 to \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

INDIA'S NEW YEAR DAYS

THEY CELEBRATE
THE OCCASION
FREQUENTLY BY
KNOCKING OFF
WORK AND HOLD-
ING FUNERALS.
SOME BURY THEIR
DEAD, SOME BURN
THEM AND SOME
FEED THE CORPSES
TO BUZZARDS.

INDIA beats the world for the number and variety of its New Year days and this is so because of the large number of races and religions.

When a traveler who expects to spend some time in the country goes to the bank with his letter of credit, usually a card is handed him on which is printed the various holidays. This is for his convenience, so that he will not let himself get out of funds and go to the bank in a hurry, only to find it closed on account of some holiday. The holidays may be Christian, Mohammedan or that of any one of the numerous Hindu sects.

When the usual card was given me in Bombay, says a writer, I noted the number of these holidays which were ascribed to New Year. They did not exactly bear out the humorous description of every day in the year as a New Year day, but there seemed hardly a month of the Christian calendar which did not have at least one New Year designated, and in some months there were more.

Kaleidoscope Bombay observes all these New Year days because the stream of Asiatic life which circulates through it includes all the civilization and all the races and religions of the Orient, with some additions from the Occident. The spirit is one of catholicity.

All the races and all the religious sects observe the New Year of the Christian calendar, because British rule of India is reflected in this day; but they also observe the New Year of the different races and religions among themselves, at least to the extent of knocking off work.

Whether in Bombay or Benares, the monkey temple has its throng of Hindu worshippers, and the Mohammedans often are not unwilling to share in the observance to the extent of foregoing their business activities. The Hindus on their part are apt to think it a shame to work on a Mohammedan New Year day when the Moslem population may be thronging the Jumma Musquid mosque. So it goes all round the circle of New Year holidays.

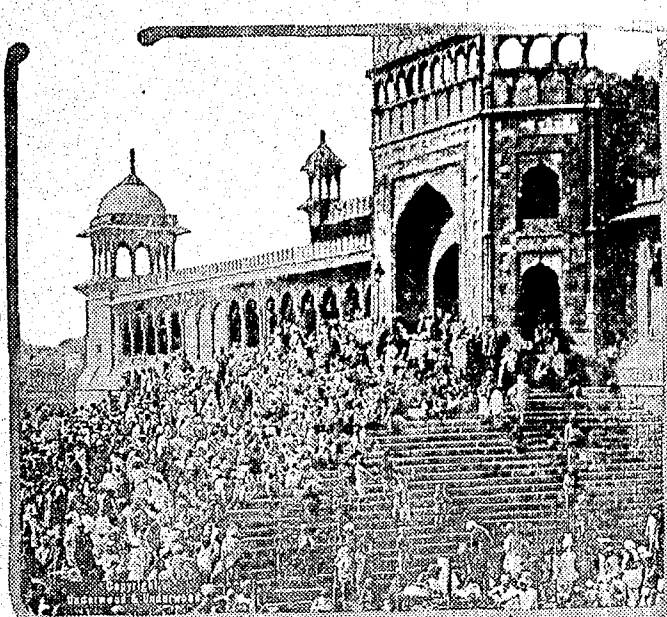
There is a simple arithmetical method of calculating the time from the Hegira in the terms of the Christian era, but the easier way is to accept without question the fact that such and such a day is the New Year of the Mohammedan era. Similarly, the New Year of the Buddhists and the Brahmins and the Jains and the Sikhs may be accepted without bothering about the calendar.

The British New Year in Bombay, or Calcutta or Delhi is much the same as in England.

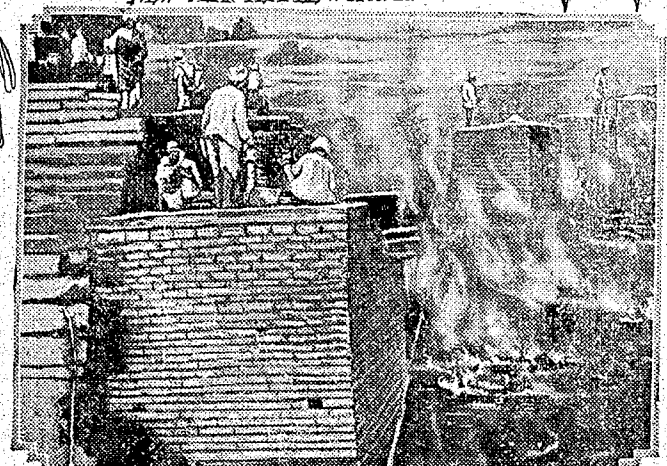
While the Christian New Year is formal and states on account of British authority, it has less standing than the New Year of the Parsees, because it is a single day's observance, while the Parsees take two days. The year I happened to be in Bombay was the Parsee Yazdegerdi, 1276, and the New Year days came on September 13 and 14.

On this day I was afforded the opportunity of witnessing the Parsee religious observances, or Zoroastrian services. It was in the All-India Bazaar, on the Charni road. Their churches or temples of worship are free from architectural pretensions without and within. They are more like an ordinary hall.

In this temple the women were gathered at one end of the room and the men at the other end. In the space between was a stand holding a lamp with the eternal fire under glass. The



NEW YEAR FESTIVE WORSHIP



BURNING THE DEAD IN INDIA

flame was very clear. A venerable bearded priest stood beside the lamp. His discourse was earnest and solemn. Both man and woman bearers were very attentive.

The ceremonies of worship are quite simple, but the mysteries of the faith may be less so. The Parsees who have been educated in England and many of those whose English education has been obtained in Bombay resent the designation of fire worshippers.

One of them gave me a monograph, written by a Parsee barrister in London, which explained the creed of the followers of Zoroaster as one of good thoughts, good words and good deeds, with the sacred flame as a symbol of the effulgence of the deity. It is not denied, however, that contact with Hindus and Mohammedans has caused corruptions to creep into the creed. The Hindus and Moslems regard the Parsees as fire worshippers.

It was on a New Year day that I drove out to Malabar hill, where are located the Towers of Silence, or the Parsee cemetery. Every traveler takes this drive. It is past the other cemeteries, Christian and Mohammedan burial grounds and the Hindu burning ghat. The cemetery of the Christians is no longer used, but on almost any day there will be Mohammedan funerals and Hindu cremations.

On this day there were two Mohammedan funerals and three parties of Hindu mourners, with their respective burdens at the burning ghat.

Malabar hill is the choice spot overlooking the Arabian sea. Within the cemetery grounds are flagstone steps, shaded walks and arbors and bowers. A luxuriant vegetation covers the rocks, and there is everything that goes to make a beautiful garden of flowers.

The towers of Silence, of which there are five, are hardly towers at all. They are about 275 feet in circumference and perhaps 25 feet high. The material is whitewashed stone and cement or mortar. A near approach to the towers is not allowed to strangers to the Parsee creed, nor is entrance permitted to the fire temple, where the sacred fire is kept alive and seven kinds of incense are burned.

A model of the towers is shown in the registry room and an attendant explains them to visitors. The attendant explained to me the circular rows in which the bodies were placed—one for the children, one for the women and one for the men. When the bodies have been stripped of their fleshly covering by the vultures, which takes perhaps half an hour, the bones remain for a while, and are then dropped into a well in the center, which is provided with drains and water flushes. Charcoal is the chief purifier.

On this New Year day there was a Parsee funeral, which could be observed only at a respectful distance. There were four professional body bearers, with the bier on their shoulders, and a procession of perhaps fifty

mourners in their white robes walking two abreast, each pair holding a handkerchief. The Parsee accounts say that the body is received by two bearded attendants at the entrance to the towers, and that by them the shroud is removed and then vultures do the rest. This is probably what happened that day.

All I could note on this occasion was a sudden movement of the vultures in the palm trees. There seemed to be hundreds of them. They paused for a minute on the outer edge of one of the towers and then disappeared within. In a few minutes they reappeared.

The Parsee method of disposing of the dead is, perhaps, as the Parsees say, more sanitary than the Christian burial in the earth, or even than the Hindu cremation. It meets the tenet of their faith that fire, water and earth are too sacred to be polluted. But the western mind cannot become accustomed to it.

In conclusion, it may be said that there are other New Year observances in India besides the New Year of the Christians, Mohammedans, Hindus and Parsees. There is a Chinese colony in Beninck street, Calcutta, and the Chinese there observe the New Year as they do in the United States, or in any other section of the world in which they are found.

AUSTRIAN YOUTHS IN WAR

The Austrian newspapers are devoting considerable space at present to the part played by schoolboys in the present war. They are affectionately termed the "war boys" and in operations in eastern Galicia they were of great assistance to the troops.

In some of the artillery batteries, especially those which centered around Czernowitz and Weinberg, schoolboys in large numbers braved the shells and carried water and ammunition for the troops.

After a battle they would go over the field and gather pieces of shrapnel and the shells of cartridges to be made over again into ammunition. Occasionally a boy thus sacrificed his life, but this did not deter the ardor of his companions.

Many of the boys followed the infantry regiments and fought and slept with the soldiers in the trenches. The boys who remained at home took the place of their fathers and brothers who were at the front.

The story is told of a fourteen-year-old youngster who all alone managed the biggest hotel in Czernowitz. He looked personally after his own cashier and bookkeeper. Other boys peddled goods among the soldiers and so earned a good living for their mothers.

Some became guides, and many an army automobile had as guide a bright schoolboy who sat beside the chauffeur and showed him the right road.

It is said that when the history of this war is written the schoolboys of Austria will deserve a prominent place in its pages.

Beautiful European City.

Agram, in Croatia, is one of the most popular cities in Europe, because years ago its public-spirited citizens got behind a movement and carried out a plan for an extensive park. "The city has a population of only about 100,000 persons, but everywhere it is known and spoken of as the city of beautiful parks. Few persons pass through on a train that do not return. They are drawn back by reason of the beauty of the park. The city spent more than one million dollars to set it off properly."

Interneclne Strife.

"This luncheon proprietor advertises ham and eggs at war prices." "I don't see what war has to do with the price of ham and eggs." "It has a great deal in this case. He's at war with a rival restaurant across the street."

Proved Fact.

"So your play is all about a prize fight?" "Yes; I was determined the critics shouldn't have a chance to say it hadn't a punch in it."

The KITCHEN CABINET

She who works, then stops to play,
Will live to work full many a day;
But she who never plays at all,
Her days for work will prove but small.

SHELL FISH AND OTHERS.

Oysters should be as carefully cooked as eggs, as they too contain a large per cent of albumen.

Oysters and Veal Chops.—Season a cupful of finely chopped veal or chicken with salt, pepper, celery salt, cayenne, lemon and onion juice; moisten with a thick white sauce; cool; parboil a pint of oysters; drain, and cover each oyster with the chopped mixture. Dip in crumbs, egg and crumbs, and fry in deep fat.

Oyster Sausage.—Chop fine a half pound of cooked veal; add a cupful of oysters, also chopped and an eighth of a pound of suet; mix with three table-spoonfuls of bread crumbs which have been soaked in the oyster liquor; add the beaten yolks of two eggs; pepper, salt and mace to taste. Stir and make into croquettes, fry as usual.

Sea Turtle.—Take a two-pound can of turtle meat; cut in pieces; cook in a quarter of a cupful of butter with a bit of chopped onion; add a pint of cream, two hard-cooked eggs, cut fine, then thicken with a tablespoonful of flour, mixed with a little cold milk. Season to taste with salt and paprika; add a small glass of grape jelly and serve on squares of toast with sliced lemon.

Shrimp Salad.—Cut in small bits, one quart of celery, add two cans of shrimps, washed and picked in pieces; one dozen minced olives, one-fourth of a pound of grated cheese, one pint of mayonnaise, and one head of lettuce. Line a salad bowl with the lettuce and mix the ingredients. Garnish with parsley and plain olives.

Fried Sardines With Hot Mayonnaise.—Dip the sardines in boiling water to remove skins and oil; dip in batter and fry in deep fat. This sauce is not a mayonnaise, although called so. Make a cupful of rich white sauce; add chopped capers, pickles, parsley and olives, a teaspoonful of lemon juice and a quarter of a cupful of mayonnaise. Stir the dressing in when the sauce is hot but do not boil.

WINTER GOOD THINGS.

One need not deny herself these days, because of the season, of many good things which years ago were only in the autumn markets. With such easy transportation we have tomatoes, fresh and ripe, green peppers and fruits of all kinds from the southern clime.

A most tasty salad dressing which will keep for several weeks is this:

Sherry's Salad Dressing.—Take three-quarters of a cupful of olive oil, a fourth of a cupful of vinegar, two tablespoonfuls each of green pepper and red pepper, chopped; a small Spanish onion, also chopped; a tablespoonful of powdered sugar and a teaspoonful of salt and a few dashes of cayenne pepper. Shake in a glass mason jar for five minutes; then stand an hour before using. Serve on head lettuce.

Prune Salad.—Wash, soak and steam one pound of prunes until tender. Do not sweeten them. When cold remove the stones and fill the cavities with chopped walnuts. Arrange on leaves of lettuce (five prunes are sufficient for one serving), sprinkle with lemon juice and place a spoonful of mayonnaise on top of each. Serve very cold.

Date Charlotte.—Stone a half-pound of dates. To a cupful and a half of water add three tablespoonfuls of honey, the juice of an orange and a heaping tablespoonful of gelatin; add the dates, simmer until the dates are soft, pour into a ring mold and set away in a cool place. Turn out and fill the center with sweetened whipped cream.

Date Loaf.—Sift three cupfuls of flour, a half-teaspoonful of salt into a warm basin, add a cupful of chopped dates and half a cupful of sultana raisins. Warm half a cupful of milk, add a half-cupful of butter, cool and add one compressed yeast which has been softened in a little warm water. Pour into the flour, add two beaten eggs, knead lightly and allow to rise one hour. Knead again and put into a buttered tin. Allow it to rise for half an hour. Bake in a moderate oven one hour.

CONDENSATIONS

Canon loaded with sand have been found effective in breaking up swarms of locusts that frequently appear in Costa Rica.

The dust raised by automobiles has been blamed by medical authorities for an increase in pulmonary diseases in the Philippines.

Tree planting on the sandhills of Nebraska has been successful. Jack pines planted there ten years ago are 15 feet in height.

The government of New South Wales has appointed a committee to assist in the development of inventions likely to be of general public utility.

Much timber in New Zealand having been found highly suitable for the manufacture of wood pulp, the government is fostering the establishment of the industry.

This year's exports of American rice reached the great total of 75,000,000 pounds and more, far in excess of any previous record. The foreign demand for American rice is increasing rapidly.

Yesterday is gone. We can't change it. But today is here. Let's improve it and put pleasant things in our bank of life that we may draw upon in after years.

FANCY CAKES FOR OCCASIONS.

When eggs are high these cakes will be rather expensive, but if used only occasionally they are most dainty and satisfying.

The following cookies are well liked by the little people:

Sand Tarts.—Take a cupful of butter, one and a half cupfuls of sugar, three eggs, the whites and yolks beat separately; one tablespoonful of water, a teaspoonful of baking powder and flour enough to roll. Sprinkle sugar and cinnamon over the cakes, cut with a doughnut cutter and decorate with three almonds placed at equal distance from each other. Bake in a moderate oven. These cakes not only look very pretty, but are also good to eat.

Almond Fringe.—Take a pound of blanched almonds, cut lengthwise, making shreds. Beat the whites of seven eggs stiff and dry, fold in a pound of powdered sugar, the almonds and a teaspoonful of flavoring. Spread powdered sugar on a board and shape the mixture into rings. Place on buttered paper and bake a light brown in a slow oven.

Lunch Cakes.—Here is cake for the busy mother—take a third of a cupful of soft butter, one and a third cupfuls of light brown sugar, two eggs, a half cupful of milk, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, a half teaspoonful each of cinnamon and nutmeg, a half cupful of raisins and one and three-fourths cupfuls of flour. Put ingredients all into a bowl and beat together for three minutes; bake 40 minutes in a moderate oven.

Spice Cakes.—Take two cupfuls of brown sugar, one cupful of butter, one cupful of sour milk, three eggs, two and one-half cupfuls of cinnamon, one of cloves, a half teaspoonful of grated nutmeg and a pinch of salt. Mix as usual and bake in individual tins. Cover with a maple frosting and some with plain white.

SEASON OF SUCCULENT PIG.

When cold weather is upon us we turn to fat meats to supply the heat needed in keeping up the body temperature. Pork is one of our most satisfying meats, and there is none more delicious if the animal has been well fed on good corn and is properly fattened.

Pork Salad.—This is as good as chicken salad if carefully prepared. Chop roast pork, freed from fat, rather fine; to two cupfuls of meat add two cupfuls of celery and a half-cupful of chow chow, three hard-cooked eggs chopped; season with salt and pepper, and a teaspoonful of grated onion. Serve with boiled dressing on lettuce.

Goulash of Pork.—Fry a tablespoonful of minced onion in one tablespoonful of fat, until a golden brown, then add two cupfuls of diced cold pork, salt, pepper and paprika to taste. Toss Shake in a glass mason jar for five minutes; then stand an hour before using. Serve on head lettuce.

Escalloped Pork.—Put a layer of cold boiled pork, chopped fine in a baking dish, season with salt and pepper and minced onion, then a layer of crumbs; moisten with a little milk; add another layer of meat, finishing off with a layer of crumbs. Cover closely and bake; ten minutes before serving uncover and brown.

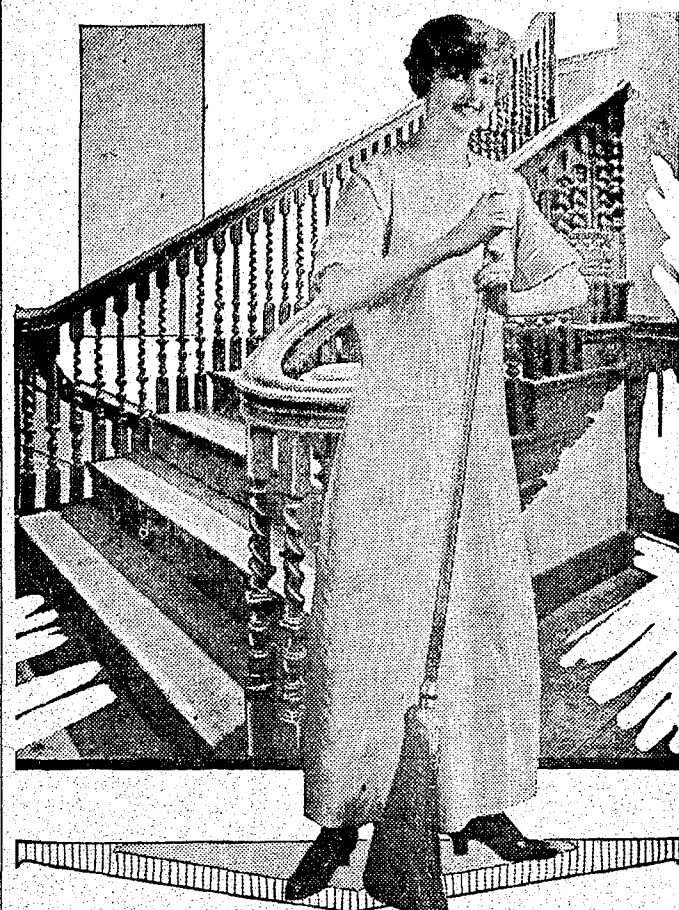
Pork Rolls.—Cut cold roast pork in thin slices, season well with pepper, salt, minced onion and parsley; roll up tightly and fasten with a wooden toothpick. Dredge each in flour and fry in a little butter. To the gravy in the pan add stock or milk; boil up once and pour over the rolls.

Pork chops to be juicy and tender should be laid in the frying pan with just enough boiling water to cover the bottom of the pan. Parboil, turning the chops, and when the water has all evaporated they will brown, being thoroughly cooked without being dry.

Rechauffe of Pork.—Prepare a sauce of a half-pint of meat or poultry stock, one tablespoonful of butter and flour, a tablespoonful of grated onion. Heat slices of pork in this sauce and serve.

Nellie Maxwell

About Patterns for Kitchen Aprons



In January the order of the year brings about the making of new underlinings, house dresses, kitchen aprons, and all the white work required by the household and the house. And in the annual January sales, all over the country, of white goods, merchants present the stocks of cotton fabrics which they have assembled in anticipation of the demand for them. There is no better season in which to buy cotton products than at the beginning of the year.

There has been a steady advance in the standard of quality in many lines of cotton goods, and in the introduction of high-class novelties, the mills are making a rapid progress.

A kitchen apron that may be made of cotton crepe, as well as of the usual percale or gingham, is shown in the picture, and hardly needs description. It covers the figure and fastens at the back, unlike many of the late patterns, which fasten at one side. Blue is the favorite color for the apron of cotton crepe, and it is finished with white braid bindings.

The chief claim to attention is based upon the fact that this kind of apron requires almost no ironing.

Although the subject of kitchen aprons is not one to arouse a great amount of enthusiasm, it is nearly any means without interest.

Aprons manage to be attractive while they cleverly fill all that is required of them in the way of usefulness. This means that they must cover the figure, be plain and easily adjusted, good looking and shapely. They must be neatly finished and provided with at least one pocket and made of material that will stand any amount of tugging.

All of the new aprons are made with elbow sleeves except those that are sleeveless. Very shapely and attractive models have a large bib at the front of the body fastened by flat bands of the material to the belt at the back. A favorite finish for all edges is a flat band of material in contrasting color. All the fast colors are used with white, and striped effects prevail.

Seen at the Afternoon Concert



If you would see the best of millinery look for it at the afternoon concert or other afternoon affairs. The box party or club program or luncheon, and the cafe dinner, call out the smartest hats, for there they are subjected to close scrutiny by discriminating eyes.

The fancy of the designer has much to inspire it this season, and millinery is brilliant in two senses, both in color and in design. With gold and silver laces and metallized flowers, with fur and velvet and jet and jewels, heads are splendidly crowned even when such materials are put together simply.

The blue and gold turban shown in the picture is an example of this. It is a small, chic, jaunty shape draped with turquoise blue satin brocade with a gold flower. This covers the frame and forms a large wing effect at the left side. The only ornament used is a flat rosette made of

gilded leaves that are cut from some light metal.

Afternoon hats having crowns of velvet or fur and brims of gold or silver lace are usually finished with small nosegays of beautifully colored flowers. A very handsome model is made with a crown of light brilliant green satin, brocade with silver, and a brim of silver lace. A silver cord is tied about the crown, the ends finished with small silver balls. The cord and balls are made of very small beads.

There are many fur turbans trimmed with wreaths of small flowers which are very rich looking, and the all-leather turban, although rather rarely seen, is nearly always a hat of much distinction.

Julia Bottomley

Variety of Sleeves.

There does not seem to be any law governing sleeves this spring, but beneath the seeming license there is real order. The sleeve must show the arm, or rather reveal its shape. The style comes to express this is left to the dressmaker. Some of the best frocks show long, wrinkled sleeves of the fabric, others have transparent sleeves of batiste, of chiffon, of organdy. The kimono and the elongated armhole do not appear, except in isolated cases, but it may be safely said that they

are reserved for topcoats. In these the raglan shoulder dominates, although in the short outer jackets in brilliant colors, which are the prevailing fashion for country wear, the armhole is nearly normal.

It is prophesied that some of the new coats will fall several inches below the hem of the dress.

Navy is often trimmed with a certain light shade of gray-blue which suggests a soldier's uniform.

THE BRAVEST FLOWERS.

December is not all bleak winter here, by any means. The earlier days are often mild and pleasant, and the harder reminders of the garden year take prompt advantage of any sun-encouragement. During the first week of the month I have found scabious, candytuft and gillardias in comfortable bloom. Of course, I expect to see pansies opening every month in the year, and have not often been disappointed. Then the wallflowers, bless them! do not regard winter as of any importance until at last Jack Frost repeatedly freezes them into insensibility. And on Christmas day, in one of the happy Breeze Hill garden years, I have found and gleefully taken to the home guests assembled, flowers of the pansy, the English daisy and the wallflowers. These latest flowers are doubly appreciated, and have an appeal not possessed by the great, rich greenhouse roses one buys.—J. Horace McFarland in the Countryside Magazine.

LONDON LIGHTS ARE COSTLY.

At Willenden police court Philip Horgeshelmer, a German baker (naturalized) of Malvern road, Kilburn, was fined \$25 for failing to reduce his shop lighting.

It was stated by the police that the defendant had a very bright light in his window, and every time he was cautioned he put up a shade, removing it again immediately the officer turned his back. When told that he would be summoned he replied: "Well, I must sell my cakes." On the night of the last raid his light was particularly bright.

The defendant sent his wife, also a German, to say that he was too busy making bread for his customers to attend the court.

A fine of \$25 was imposed, which the wife at once paid.—London Times.

A motor-driven wheel that can be inserted in place of the front wheel of an ordinary bicycle to convert it into a motor cycle has been invented.

You Have Been Good to Me the Past Years

How better can I express my gratitude for your support than to freely make the above statement of fact? What words can express more forcefully the deep feeling that is in my heart.

Indeed I thank you for your goodness to me in giving me such a generous measure of your patronage, and for your unfailing courtesy and appreciation of my humble efforts to serve you in that manner which is most acceptable to you.

I wish you all the unlimited happiness and prosperity you deserve in 1916, and I hope to have the pleasure of greeting you face to face in the future as in the past.

Frank Dreese

The Lemon Colored Store, opposite the Jail.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

YOURS TO PLEASE

Avoid Speaking Ill.
If you can't say anything good of a man try looking out of the window.

Equally Useless.
Faith without works is about as useless as a watch without wheels.

But Very Numerous.
The most unnatural person in the world is the natural liar.

Never Worth While.
What the self-seeker finds is never worth while.

Optimistic Thought.
Time brings the truth to light.

A POOR DANCER



"Those that dance must pay the fiddler."
"That lets you out of contributing anything."

The strategic value of Przemysl depends entirely on whether you are capturing or surrendering it.

will occasion no regret in America if the mailed fist is held in Europe for insufficient postage.

Fashion has certain things which it uses to frighten people. Among them is the old-fashioned hoopskirt.

One woman declares that women should court men. But it would make the men feel miserably unromantic.

Dr. Eliot says too much money is a misfortune. Still, nobody seems to look upon a multi-millionaire as an under dog.

The reasons for seeing America first and staying there are growing greater and stronger with the native tourists.

Laziness is spring fever that has reached a chronic stage.

There never was an excuse as interesting as duty well done.

A peace-loving person doesn't have much chance to make a noise.

One of the poorest kinds of first-aid treatment is to nurse a grouch.

Fishing is about the most peaceful pastime, provided one goes alone.

In the country a hired girl is a loved girl. In town she is a maid.

Age brings wisdom, but most men would rather have youth than be wise old owls.

Count among the heroes the man who can keep sweet under great provocation.

CONFUSED



She: Of course, I'm not as old as you think I am.
He: I hope not—I mean you can't be—that is—how old are you?

Daily Thought.
Manners must adorn knowledge and smooth its way through the world.—Chesterfield.

One Way Out.
The only way to beat your wife in an argument is to avoid having the argument.

Always.
The musician who plays by note has to face the music.

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O. Palmer.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, ss.
Lucas County,

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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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NOTICE.

To the owner or owners of any and all interests in or liens upon the land herein described:

Take notice that, sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the county in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of land situated in Crawford County, State of Michigan: NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Section 13, Town 26 N., Range 2 W. Amount paid \$5.60, tax for year 1908.
NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 13, Town 26 N., Range 2 W. Amount paid \$7.76, tax for year 1911.
Amount necessary to redeem, \$31.72, to which must be added the sheriff's fees.
SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 13, Town 26 N., Range 2 W. Amount paid \$5.23, tax for 1911.
Amount necessary to redeem, \$15.46, to which must be added the fees of the sheriff.

Yours respectfully,
ORLANDO F. BARNES,
Residence: South Branch township, Crawford County.

Place of business: 137 West Main street, Lansing, Michigan.
Dated August 16, A. D. 1915.

To Walter A. Hocking,
Grantee under the last recorded deed, in the regular chain of title, to said land.

William M. Thompson,
Grantee under the last recorded deed to said land issued by the Auditor General.

Proof of failure of service.
STATE OF MICHIGAN) ss.
County of Crawford) ss.

I do hereby certify and return, that after making careful inquiry and search I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or post office address of Walter A. Hocking, or of his heirs, or of any executor or administrator.

My fees, \$ W. H. CODY,
Sheriff of said county.
Grayling, Dec. 6, 1915. 12-23-4.

Notice.

To the owner or owners of any and all interests in or liens upon the land herein described:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the county in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of land situated in Crawford County, State of Michigan: SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 6, Town 26 N., Range 4 W. Amount paid \$3.02 tax for year 1909.

SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 6, Town 26 N., Range 4 W. Amount paid \$2.61 tax for year 1910.

SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 6, Town 26 N., Range 4 W. Amount paid \$3.09 tax for year 1911.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$22.42 to which must be added the fees of the sheriff.

Yours respectfully,
ORLANDO F. BARNES,
Residence: South Branch township, Crawford County.

Place of business: 137 West Main street, Lansing, Michigan.
Dated August 23, A. D. 1915.

To Allen B. Failing, Grayling, Mich.
Grantee under the last recorded deed in the regular chain of title, to said land.

Alfred H. Mallory, Chicago, Illinois,
Mortgagee named in all undischarged recorded mortgages on said land.

Proof of failure of service.
State of Michigan) ss.
County of Crawford) ss.

I do hereby certify and return, that after making careful inquiry and search I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or post office address of Alfred H. Mallory, or the post office address or whereabouts of his heirs, or his executor or administrator.

My fees, 85 cents.
W. H. CODY,
Sheriff of said county.
12-23-4

Ordinance No. 18.

An ordinance to amend section 4 of ordinance No. 1, of the village of Grayling as amended, entitled "Relative to Licenses."

The Village of Grayling Ordains: Section 1.

Section 4 of ordinance No. 1 of said Village of Grayling, as amended, entitled "Relative to Licenses" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4. All peddlers and hawkers exercising their calling within the Village of Grayling, except peddlers and hawkers who are residents of said Village of Grayling, shall before doing so, obtain a license therefor, and shall pay for such license for one week the sum of ten dollars and for less time the sum of two dollars for each day.

The same shall apply to all persons selling or offering for sale goods, wares or merchandise, by hand, hand cart, show stand, vehicle or otherwise from house to house in said village or upon the public streets or grounds of said village.

This ordinance shall take effect January 1st, 1916.

Passed, ordained and ordered published this 6th day of December, 1915.

H. Petersen, Village President.
T. P. Peterson, Village Clerk.

Notice of Tax Collections.

I will be at my office in my home in Beaver Creek township every Friday during the month of December and first week in January for the collection of taxes.

Andrew Mortenson,
Treasurer.

Notice.

To the owner or owners of any and all interests in or liens upon the land herein described:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the county in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of land situated in Crawford County, State of Michigan: NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Sec. 26, Town 28 N., Range 4 W. Amount paid \$3.25 tax for year 1909.
NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 26, Town 28 N., Range 4 W. Amount paid \$3.25 tax for year 1909.
Amount necessary to redeem, \$18.44, to which must be added the fees of the sheriff.

Yours respectfully,
FREDERIC THOMAS,
Place of business: No. 123 E. Ottawa St., Lansing, Michigan. Dated March 7, A. D. 1914.

To S. H. Webster,
Grantee under the last recorded deed, in the regular chain of title, to said land.

John W. Burke of Frederic, Mich.,
Grantee under the last recorded deed, to said land issued by the Auditor General.

Proof of failure of service.
State of Michigan) ss.
County of Saginaw) ss.

I do hereby certify and return, that after making careful inquiry and search I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or post office address of S. H. Webster or the whereabouts or post office address of the heirs, executors, administrators, trustees or guardian of the said S. H. Webster.

Grantee named in the last recorded deed in the regular chain of title to NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 Section 26-28 N-4 W.

Tated this 28th day of April A. D. 1914
My fees \$1.10.

LEO J. RIMMEL,
Sheriff of said county.
12-23-4

Ordinance No. 19.

An ordinance relative to the licensing of carriers of passengers for hire and of the vehicle used therefor; to provide for a penalty for violation thereof, and repealing all inconsistent ordinances or parts of ordinances.

The Village of Grayling Ordains: Section 1.

Any person shall not use or offer for use any carriage, sleigh, automobile or other vehicle within the limits of the Village of Grayling for the carriage of passengers for hire without having first obtained a license for such vehicle as provided for in section 2 of this ordinance, and no person shall drive any such vehicle without a license so as hereinafter provided. Provided, that this ordinance shall not apply to persons passing through said village with passengers or carrying passengers to said village from points outside thereof.

Section 2. Any person who is a resident of the Village of Grayling may obtain a license for his vehicle to be used in carrying passengers for hire within said village by his paying into the village treasury therefor the sum of three dollars for each of his said vehicles to be so licensed. Any person who is not a resident of said village of Grayling may obtain a license for his vehicle to be used in carrying persons for hire in said village by his paying into the village treasury therefor the sum of two dollars for each and every day each of his said vehicles is so licensed (meaning thereby two dollars per day per vehicle) and any person above the age of eighteen years, of good moral character may obtain a license as driver upon his executing a bond to said village in the penal sum of one hundred dollars with at least one good and sufficient surety thereon conditioned in substance that the principal shall well and truly keep and obey and observe all ordinances of said village, and all laws of the State of Michigan, which said bond shall also have indorsed thereon a certificate of the village marshal showing in substance that the principal in said bond is believed to be a person of good moral character and a proper person to receive a license as driver of public conveyances, which when so signed and indorsed shall be presented to the village council, and if approved by said village council, the applicant may receive such license by paying therefor the sum of one dollar.

Section 3. All licenses issued by virtue of this ordinance to persons who are residents of the Village of Grayling shall be for one year, and to non-residents for as many days as shall be paid for, unless the same be sooner revoked and annulled as hereinafter provided.

Section 4. Whoever shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof be fined not exceeding the sum of one hundred dollars or imprisonment in the county jail of Crawford County not exceeding ninety days, or both in the discretion of the court, and if the convicted person shall have a license issued by virtue of this ordinance, the village council may, by a majority vote, revoke, and annul the license of such offender, but such revoking or annulling shall not entitle such offender to receive back any portion of the sum paid for such license.

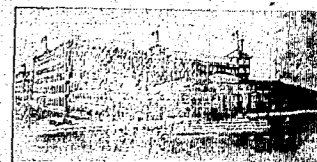
Section 5. All bonds given under the provision of this ordinance shall be for the benefit of persons injured by reason of any violation of this ordinance or by the violation of any of the provisions of said bond, and any person so injured may bring suit on such bond in the name of the Village of Grayling for his, her or their benefit.

Section 6. All other ordinances of said Village of Grayling pertaining to the licensing of vehicles for hire or ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall take effect on the 1st day of January, 1916.

Passed, ordained and ordered published this 6th day of December, 1915.

H. Petersen, Village President.
T. P. Peterson, Village Clerk.



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12.00	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.00	12.25	12.25	12.25
9.18	3.02	lv Grayling	lv	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.10
9.36	3.26	" Resort		1.41	1.41	1.41	1.41
11.40	3.55	" Sigma		12.26	12.26	12.26	12.26
11.40	3.55	" Rowley		12.42	12.42	12.42	12.42
11.40	3.55	" Walton		12.42	12.42	12.42	12.42
11.40	3.55	" Buckley		12.42	12.42	12.42	12.42
11.40	4.46	" Gleggarry		10.39	10.39	10.39	10.39
5.22	7.19	" Rvr Broch		9.55	9.55	9.55	9.55
5.29	7.26	" Kaleva		9.55	9.55	9.55	9.55
5.39	7.36	" Chief lake		9.45	9.45	9.45	9.45
5.46	7.43	" Norwalk		9.39	9.39	9.39	9.39
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